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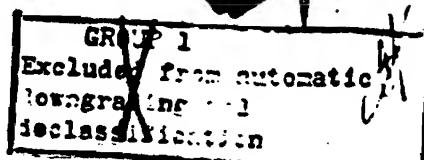
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made available by [REDACTED] on 3/23/63.

This transcript is conversation between ELIJAH  
MUHAMMAD, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], during which time  
they discussed income tax matters. The verbatim transcript  
is enclosed instead of a letterhead memorandum since it is  
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By income tax law anything that is a gift is excluded from being taxed. But you're not getting any salary or any wage or bonus or commission for what you're doing. So you couldn't report that you are getting a stipulated amount for your services because these services would be performed regardless of anything.

ELIJAH: They tell me in the office that it is just a gift of \$12,000 and therefore, restricted.

It sure is.

ELIJAH: \$12,000.

What, income tax property.

ELIJAH: I don't know what the other followers were.

Whether he would have it in his office or not that still does not make me liable for taxes. It would be, can they prove that someone is giving you something for services you perform?

ELIJAH: As far as that point, it is not a salary, but the professed givers, you know, are expenses. That's the way it was wrote up.

In order for you to pay tax on it it would have to be considered as income from a source for services performed in order for it to be taxable.

ELIJAH: I know. I don't have any. The devil has been asking about that for years. I have no salary, I have been telling him.

That is what is interesting, it is not taxable but you have been paying taxes on it for years. You say they would have to always prove you have income from some source, that you are getting it for a stipulated service.

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On this \$15,000 you said increase it which it has been increased to \$15,000 which is being reported here as your taxable income as up to gross income. Now, you're permitted by law to deduct, you are allowed only \$1,000 for expenses, 10% of your - as it says here on line 9 up to \$1,000, independent of line 9 but not more than \$1,000. But you can get 20% of your charity contributions over here. You can get up to 30% if you donate to a religious or charitable institution. Which would make a \$3,700 deduction there for charity contributions. Now that is subtracted as your contribution to the mosque on this amount which we are reporting as income. So that fact of the matter leaves you \$11,000. From that we deduct the 4 exemptions. Now these exemptions are for yourself, as on page 2, one for your family, one for your wife, another for yourself for being over 65. You get \$600 for yourself, another \$600 right here for being over 65, and you get one for your wife. Then you have one for your sister so you will have four dependents which is \$2,400 in exemptions. This one here will be deducted from your taxable income which will be subject to tax also.

ELIJAH:

You said four.

Yes sir, four. You have one for yourself, one for your wife, and an additional one for being over 65, and one for your sister who is a dependent of yours. That will be \$2,400. So that gives you a taxable income, or income subject to tax of \$8,850, which we are filing a joint return in your name and your wife's name, which will be the income between \$8,000 and \$12,000 automatically tax of \$1,680 plus 26% on the amount over \$8,000. That comes to \$136. So we put in here tax on \$850 which comes to \$136 added to \$16.80, giving you a taxability of \$1,816.

ELIJAH:

How much did we total last year?

[REDACTED] PAID TAX ON \$13,000.

ELIJAH:

I've been thinking about somewhere around 18 or 20 this year. That's what I had in mind.

[REDACTED] WELL YOU TOLD ME EARLIER, YOU KNOW BACK IN - TO MAKE IT 15.

ELIJAH:

I did, but I had - how many more blanks do you have?

[REDACTED] IT IS NO PROBLEM TO CHANGE IT.

ELIJAH:

The devil, he knows the more it will increase, the more followers. Your income will increase. They could think something like, you are getting that or more, but they can't prove.

[REDACTED] NO SIR THEY CAN'T PROVE IT.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED] NO WAY THEY CAN PROVE IT. ACTUALLY YOU ARE DOING THE GOVERNMENT A FAVOR BY FILING A TAX RETURN AND PAYING TAXES ON IT. BECAUSE THEY WOULD HAVE TO PROVE, THEY COULD CHARGE, BUT WOULD HAVE TO PROVE THAT YOU ARE GETTING AN INCOME.

ELIJAH:

Anything. It would cost too much to prove it. In fact never could prove it.

[REDACTED] THAT'S RIGHT, THEY NEVER COULD.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED] I COULDN'T TELL THEM MYSELF I'M RIGHT TO SAVE MY LIFE.

[REDACTED] b7C THEY COULDN'T PROVE IT. YOU HAVE GOOD GROUNDS. THE DEFENSE IS RELIGIOUS AND THAT IS THE BEST THERE IS.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED] IN FACT THEY COULDN'T EVEN ASK ME ANYTHING.

That's right. Now we've got some other problems in taxes too. How far are we to go on these taxes. Take 71st Street. We have income from the property there. All income is subject to tax. We had rent. That is taxable income on 82nd Street. That is taxable income. This is income that has never been reported on tax or taxes paid on this income. We have the school teachers, their money is subject to withholding tax and Social Security taxes and also if you have roomers in your home it is subject to Social Security taxes, not withholding tax of course but Social Security taxes and they are liable themselves for income taxes.

ELIJAH:

Yes that's right.

All money not a return of.

ELIJAH:

This makes me about sick almost.

Don't make yourself sick. Anything a laborer gets a charge can be put against him that this is compensation for some service. Any person. Anything that is given you in consideration for some work you have done is subject to tax. So we wanted to know how far are we to go in compliance with that.

ELIJAH:

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Well, the devil has never bothered me or the laborers yet. He's just come up and do so but he thinks he can make a clean sweep of it and lay low until you owe him enough that when they ask you for it, it would put you out of business. But, Brother, I don't think the government wants to tax us in such a way that this will bounce back or that he will kick up dust and sand will get in his eyes. I don't think he wants to do that.

I mean he probably knows in certain places that he could attack us, especially on this tax, but he don't do it in fear he might run into a problem one way or the other. People will start thinking he is just trying to break us up. We would probably get upset and find some way to retaliate

in some other way against the government. So he is half way afraid to tax us outright as a body. But he probably knows about how things are being run because he always has stool pigeons among us who keep him well informed. So therefore, he can't get away with these things as long as you are in the front.

What I am saying is, let's go around and pick up all these houseworkers and some of them have not told them some tax for years so have to put, you know, a lot of trouble and myself too you know in trying to straighten it up. You would have to give that worker back so much of their money and let them go pay it or you go pay it yourself.

They aren't in the business of taking out Social Security but that doesn't help the business of hiding it.

One thing that helps you a little is you can cut it down like you want it. Just don't give checks. They find no way of finding out just how much you pay. You could work for me and I could pay \$100 a week but when they come to me I say \$50 a week. Where is the proof I pay him \$100 a week, as long as it's not in black and white. If I tell you not to say 100, you are not going to say it because it hurts you as well as me. If it came out, you would have to pay tax for \$100 a week and the government would be deducting Social Security from it.

But technically - like this (PH) [REDACTED] here. Now you've given him some money. They could bring the charge against you that you didn't withhold taxes from this person. He performed a service for you and didn't take taxes from his pay or pay Social Security Taxes on it. Any little thing you give out money for services performed, they can bring that charge against you or anyone. The law reads all income

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is subject to be reported as taxed.

ELIJAH:

They won't bother with that. If they did, they would have the whole country upset and the people would rebel against law and would fight. The devil himself would start fighting. A robber himself puts out the law, a robber judges the law, and a robber is the one being charged by the law. And two robbers will certainly clash.

[REDACTED]

I just wanted to mention a few points where we were vulnerable and where they might be a reason for attack so you would know about them.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED]

I read that in the tax law. It said everything was taxable even to gifts.

Well a gift will be excluded if not given in performance of a service. Then the courts will have to determine if this is a gift or not. They can always bring in that technicality even though the law says a gift can be excluded from gross income. A gift has been defined by the court as a gratuitous transfer of property if it's not to avoid taxes. They can always bring these charges up but the matter of proving them is another thing. So even though you follow the terms and pay taxes, they can still bring charges against you. You can say you gave a gift but they can say you did this to avoid taxes and then determine in court whether what you gave is a gift. You may consider it a gift but we don't.

[REDACTED]

Well, I tell you if you go through that 100% it will tell you you will have a heck of a time throughout the country trying to prove these things.

[REDACTED]

One place in this book that the tax service uses. It says what counts most is the question of a gift is the donor's reason for giving it.

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This gives them a broad leeway, what your reasons for giving it were.

ELIJAH:

If you follow the devil, Federal Law, it wants to know not only what you've done and said, but what you think you know. He really gets after you if you get caught in his clutches. He brings you before that Senate Committee to question you about it and it's against the law for you to deny it or for you to say nothing is against the law. If you are - to defend your "say nothing" then okay. But if you don't, you will get in trouble. If you are silent it won't help. You've got to tell why you are silent. We have to find some way to keep the devil from coming in on us and the best way is to try to not file nearly all his profits.

Once you begin to file you're open to question, because then they have the right to question whether what you've filed is accurate or is there more.

ELIJAH:

He never believes that you were truthful according to what I have learned. He never thinks you are telling the truth. Once they ever get you on the question, you can patch it up but they still think you were lying.

In places where you have real property, they can put a lien against it. But before they could fix a lien they would have to prove this tax liability exists.

ELIJAH:

That is true but I'm not expecting anything like that to happen. I hear a lot of talk about they plan to do something like that. I don't believe they would actually reach out.

I can give you my opinion based on the tax law and cases. I think we have a good defense in the religion and it would be embarrassing to them to make the charge. They can make the charge but for them to prove it.

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ELIJAH:

For them to prove it Brother he'd have one heck of a time.

And it takes two or three years for them to carry through after making the charge. First they have to send the agents out. With the agents, it's just his word against yours. Then a United States Attorney would have to make charges to bring this in to court. What the agent said doesn't even count and they must have something sufficient for the United States Attorney to prosecute a case.

ELIJAH:

There must be something to support charge the agent brought in. It has to be a violation of their law for the State Attorney to cause you to answer to it.

If they get you into court they could still have to prove it. Actually cases have never been tried all the way through court. Even the cases of Father Divine and Daddy Grace. They have prosecuted a case where the person purported to be a religious leader.

ELIJAH:

No they haven't. In other words they have so many of their own kind and your lawyer could bring up a case among the whites and it would hurt them. It's a crooked government. They favor this one and accuse this one for the same thing. They look at their own kind lightly. We have that knowledge and we are going to use it. So I'm not expecting the government to actually do this. There is some hint in the prophecy about it but not much for me to think I will be brought up. I won't believe it until they do it.

If it does occur, I think your best offense is to stick strictly to the religious. A lawyer couldn't try to argue on the merits of law. He would have to argue your religion and win if he argues those points.

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Now on these incomes on 71st Street, what shall we do about that and 82nd Street.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED] hold all receipts for 82nd Street Building and they have it for the 71st too. We have to put in something for that whatever is reasonable, put it down - it's okay with me.

Now all income which comes in on that is reportable and taxable. What is not deductible, like mortgage payments, that's not deductible for tax purposes. Like a \$4,000 heater was put in at 71st Street, that can be deducted but you still have to pay income tax on the rent even though money may have been taken from the rent to pay for that heater.

ELIJAH:

Now if you are working other people, you through in the amount you receive from these tenants and the expenses of upkeep. Now if the building is not paid for and you are paying for it out of this profit, do they exempt that.

[REDACTED]  
No.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED] They will charge you for all the income.

[REDACTED] Some things we consider expenses, they won't. They will consider them capital improvements. Like a wall was put in it is not expenses for tax purposes.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED] How about sidewalks and stuff like that.

[REDACTED] That would be a capital improvement. You could deduct it over a period of years. A sidewalk would last about five years and you could deduct about one-fifth of it.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED] How about the remodeling the house.

[REDACTED] You can deduct painting but not a stairwell if one is put in as it would be a capital

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improvement and adds to the value of the house. But something you put in to last only one year would be considerable expendable. Any thing that could be extended, called extended life, couldn't be deducted except over its life.

ELIJAH:

Now this 82nd house has been painted. It was painted last year and Brother (last name phonetic) [REDACTED] and he can give you the receipts you need.

[REDACTED]  
Well, his house is on 48th Street and it was painted.

[REDACTED]  
But his house is not subject to tax. There is no income on that.

ELIJAH:

I pay city tax on that. But 82nd and 71st are income property.

[REDACTED]  
But you don't make a profit at 82nd. The amount of rent collected doesn't completely pay for the mortgage.

[REDACTED]  
That won't have any effect on tax.

ELIJAH:

The only way you can get out of that is don't put in all the income.

[REDACTED]  
You may not get enough to pay the mortgage, but as far as the government is concerned, it's taxable.

[REDACTED]  
The rent on both places should be raised. I realize the followers in them aren't able to pay. They can't pay. They are paying \$110. They haven't got any pay. I haven't got any pay in 10 years. You don't get paid.

ELIJAH:

Well treating them enough.

[REDACTED]  
I know but you can go half way.

ELIJAH:

Here is the thing. I pay my followers substance. You don't get that due but every week my followers that live in there are given something to help them. Therefore, I want to give them the minimum charge to keep them going. They also are my

Well let's give something like about 18,5 something dollars. No even members, they know good and well you don't get it to any even thing. Give something like 395 or approximately 489 or something like that.

[REDACTED]

Yes sir, we'll have this back on Tuesday. You don't have too much time, April 10th is sneaking up and it must be in by 15th.

ELIJAH:

Well as quick as I get this I can sign it. My wife won't be here Wednesday. What's today.

23rd.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED]

I want us to get this in before the first.

[REDACTED]

Yes sir. Just as soon as I get back and figure it out, I'll get it right back.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED]

I'll sign it and throw it right back into the post office special delivery.

Now on the other buildings I don't think we should go back. I even started paying it last year on 71st and 82nd. I would suggest we start from this year rather than go back. If we say we are going ahead and pay taxes on 82nd and 81st, if we go back we'll have to go back on all of them. We'll start from this year and say in 83 we will pay taxes on them.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED]

Suppose they ask you when did you get this property?

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Well if do that we'll have to go back and start filing tax returns for the years.

ELIJAH:

They know when you bought it and they would come back after you later on and tell you how they feel about you. Sometime if you are not giving them trouble, they will ignore you but they don't. Later on they could come back in.

Well we have a defense in the section of the law where it says on the related income per property - it's questionable there, whether it would be taxable, if it's in the name of temple - whether this income is related to the tax exempt organization. That's what we have to argue in court, as to whether this income is related to the function of the mosque if we file a return in the mosque's name. If we file an individual name, anything an individual gets is taxable.

ELIJAH:

These buildings are in the temple's name and naturally we are using it for that purpose.

I say they would have to show the element of fraud. I say this is something we are using in conjunction with our religion. And trying to further our religion.

ELIJAH:

All our property is trying to further our religion.

They would have to prove it's unrelated to income and not in connection with this.

ELIJAH:

They can't do that. It's just voluntary. They can't do it by books or anything.

Most lawyers try to go by the book and they can't go by the book. This is this man's book and he uses it for himself.

What about the school teachers. Shall we

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start taking out money on their pay?

ELIJAH:

They may call in. They may throw you right into the box.

If we start taking out from their pay, how much in payment they will ask that would bring up their salaries to the level of others since we will have to start reporting this income. So they have the advantage now, being a low income and not reporting it. This is a game for them, but once they start reporting it, they may ask for hire wages. It's more likely they would since the income they have is subject to withholding tax and going to pay tax on it themselves.

Wouldn't it pay to pay their tax and continue to give them the third. It will be just like they had it when it was 40 or \$50 or 60. That's way below teacher's scale. Rather than the rate they pay up to 70, 80 or \$100. You would come out cheaper by just paying their taxes for them and keep their salary at that level.

But they would still have to report it on their taxes.

But I'm trying to say in you will come out cheaper if you pay their taxes rather than trying to raise all their salaries.

Well you will have to raise their salary when you pay it. Actually you are raising their salary because you are giving them the amount. You would have to raise their salary high enough so that if they taxed that, it would equal what he is getting now.

Well, let's say \$100 is maybe \$8 withholding tax and \$3 and something for the Social Security. Now if you go ahead and pay that 11 or \$12 -

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I'm trying to get around taxes myself. I know you have a argument. He can argue for the next 20 years as for the income tax or for paying for the members. It's the individual I'm concerned with. They are the ones that can mess you up. Call someone to come in and start probing, but if you keep them clear you will be all right, but all the building taxes. I'm opposed to start paying any building taxes. I'd rather them to come up on me and me start arguing instead of start paying taxes even this year. If you start paying taxes, now, it's just like he said, they know when you got that building.

ELIJAH:

The government tries to keep up with all those nickels and dimes here and there, but still they don't get it all. If we have to fight them we can wait for the battle or we can start the battle ourselves. As long as you don't turn in anything you are waiting until he pokes you. When he punches you, he always punch you hard enough - he is forced to take his glove off. He will say you owe him maybe 2 or 3 times what you actually owe him in order to get it down to something probably reasonable. You noticed them charging some of their own devils and sometimes they go double or 3 times as much. Well, he doesn't know this devil has not turned it in. Someone may get after him and say for instance that he owes one-half million for the last year and year before and so forth. Maybe that devil doesn't owe him one and a quarter million but actually about one-half million, but the government will fight in court and extract that. Sometimes they get it. It depends on the accuracy of their agents. And it depends on your argument.

The 83rd Street place - that is about 9 to 12 hundred income - and you have made it 36 or 42 thousand dollars a year income. So put in about 12, 13 or 14 hundred dollars for income there.

Now that devil, no matter how he licks you to keep things going, you don't have anything here, no profit, he doesn't care. If you say \$15,000 he will tell you how much you owe on \$15,000. So the only mistake with him is to send too much income. When a real estate company collects, you can only send what he said.

Instead of telling him we have three or four partners, we tell him they do it just for the temple. Now there are some actually getting receipts and they can catch you with that. But there are some who get no receipt and you are the winner there.

One thing I wanted to suggest, looking toward the future. I think it would be good if the properties and things were put in your children's name.

ELIJAH:

Yes and keep them out of the temple's name.

And that would make some provisions for means of income for them in the future.

ELIJAH:

Other than theirself. Well they have all my sons' names up there in the office, but they are not legally as the owners of that apartment.

This would give them some security for the future.

ELIJAH:

I am going to work to get it like that. When I get the lawyer to put it through like that, it takes too much trouble to turn it over like that because it's under the temple's name now and the temple could claim it their property unless all the members would sign.

Well, we're going to have to have the temple to make a resolution signed in exchange for the property. You're right, they could take the property.

ELIJAH:

Being in their names it might affect me even later on.

[REDACTED]

Well I suggest their names rather than yours because even if the property were considered income producing, it wouldn't show the leader had it. If was income it would look better for them to be tried with it than you.

[REDACTED]

My lawyer told me that my parents can give me \$30,000 a year and not taxable.

[REDACTED]

Well they can give you a gift or bequest and not have it taxable by inheritance tax.

[REDACTED]

He can save himself like that. You can give your money to either one of your children. I won't have to pay taxes and he won't either. My lawyer said he has no reason to pay taxes, he has too many children. Lot of rich people give to their children when actually they are not giving it to them. That's the way KENNEDY get out of all their taxes. Whatever people give him actually is not taxable.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED]

What I could do is gradually raise my gift and then divide my gift with the family. Is that what you are talking about. That I could save him and myself too. For instance if I receive \$25,000 this year, then I could give him \$5,000 and you \$5,000.

[REDACTED]

They wouldn't have to pay tax on it but how you acquired it would be questionable as to whether it's income.

[REDACTED]

But he doesn't have income.

[REDACTED]

That's right.

ELIJAH:

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If I received a gift of \$100,000 income I'd divided it to my children, that's natural law and neither one is taxable. It's a gift from a gift.

Right.

## ELIJAH:

I wish I had known this three or four years ago.

But you don't even have to give me this money. You can put it in a trust or savings. And I can't get this money but you can get it as it's a joint account but I can't. But as far as tax is concerned, it's my money.

## ELIJAH:

Even if it was something like that, the building and I needed to get it, you can go with me to get it. Maybe you are not getting a dime out of it but that's understood.

I have always reported my own money as a gift on my tax return. If they charge you later you weren't supposed to pay it in the first place. But you weren't ordinarily supposed to do it.

## **ELIJAH:**

The devil knows that. There was a pastor in New York paying \$25,000 a year but he was not really taxable for that \$25,000 but he actually was getting more. He gave the government, that kept the government off of him. Because the government knew he was a pastor and didn't have to pay that. At that time, ministers were exempt. This man actually was getting four or five times that amount and did it to keep the government from probing to find out what he was actually getting. The devil took it for granted because he knew he wasn't supposed to.

This means that if this was done to avoid the taxes the government will look at it very close. If this is done, between any family, the government will look at it right away to see if it was done to avoid taxes.

## ELIJAH:

If I give members of my family a portion of what I receive in gifts, the best way to prevent in-

vestigation of income, would be to give him a receipt or lawyer.

Yes. To the effect it's for their welfare to make provisions in case something happened, a severe illness. A lot of lawyers and tax accountants, the more they get you involved, the better he is because that's the way he makes his money.

ELIJAH: It's not good to get that type of lawyer.

Well he would know the tax law or tax benefits rather than others. He would be better than me.

ELIJAH: It's better to have a lawyer, especially a person in my position. When this will happen next year and annually, then you better have somebody to back this think up for you.

(Phenetic). [REDACTED] would be better than me because [REDACTED] has a card to practice over in Treasury Department. Very few lawyers have that card. He used to be a former Revenue man himself.

He is concerned about his position in society. He could have got a commission in the Army or in politics. Because of that he might shy away from some things because of his position. [REDACTED] he has to look out for that office too.

ELIJAH: I thought [REDACTED] was running for judge or was going to try for judge.

[REDACTED]  
They have an obligation to this party first.

ELIJAH: Those birds are the most crooked because they are looking at their position all the time. Unless you grease his hand as greasy as he would probably get it from his position, at you. They are just like the devil. They will take the winning side.

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Things are changing every year. It's going more to us and our places. It's coming more towards the poor old worker.

Now I'm glad to do this because I wanted to find some way to put up something for my family but I was scared to put his name or his name on the tax. This would be, I had rather battle it out myself because I'm in more position to defend myself or save myself from total being swallowed up.

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It would be better for it to be in their name.

ELIJAH:

[REDACTED]

Yes, this helps me and helps them in a way. I'm glad to do this. As far as the business is concerned, I've been trying my best to give them the business because I don't want any money. That's why it's in the temple's name. I didn't want anything like that.

[REDACTED]

That would show that if there is any income, that's up to them. You are just making provision. What they do, like KENNEDY, he has his income what his father gave. He's not paying tax on that money he got from his father but any income from that is subject to tax.

ELIJAH:

Like the restaurant, I wanted to put it in their names. Like I say, MUHAMMAD's Brothers, or something. Or put it up like MUHAMMAD and sons, then I could probably get by with that. I want them to look after it and make a future for it because I won't live very long myself but I would make a way for them and their children.

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It would be better. Like KENNEDY they have, the Merchandise Mart made one or two million, in case something does arise the other things aren't connected with that. Like from this liquor distillery business or their importing business, they have a list of names. Then they have a few in combined names and some individual names of each one.

ELIJAH:

Well I had intended to do that and discuss much of the positions of the nation when I was able. I'm not able yet but I'm gradually getting better every day since it's getting warmer out here now. I can rest at night now better. I told the sisters the first of April or thereafter I might go to Chicago if it's warm there. I lost so much in this last attack. I lost down to 118½ pounds and my regular weight is 145 or 150. I haven't gained but about 5 or 6 pounds yet. I weigh about 126.

[REDACTED]

I would suggest if you are going to put it in the children's name, do it early. Most businessmen do things like that early in life. If something happened to you there might be some squabble whereby they wouldn't get anything, either from we as a group or from the government.

ELIJAH:

Sometime the government will come in and lick you up. They will claim he owe so much. I would rather they charge a dead man with income tax and they can't do much with it since the man is not here to speak for himself. Okay. It's best to do that as quick as possible because here comes the temple. You may not be in office, he may not be in office. There may be a new convert in office and he says, well, it's under the temple's name and the messenger is dead. I have said I don't want this in the temple's name. They could come up as a group and rob you of everything.

[REDACTED]

Even like now they could take a vote and decide, like we happen not to be there, they had nothing to do with it. This is ours. If they get a majority, that would be it.

ELIJAH:

If I am out of the people, they could take it just like that as long as it's in their name even now.

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Say we had a meeting tomorrow, they could vote and say you had nothing to do with it because we aren't incorporated under the State of Illinois.

ELIJAH:

But now there is a secret clue that I have to postpone them. I thought of this. Suppose they were to rebel. I have yet a little catch in there that as long as I'm alive, I could give them a lot of trouble if they tried to take it away. Like the store there, like 81st. The merchandise there belongs to me even though that's still your house.

That depends on title name.

ELIJAH:

That's true if that name is not 100% with you. Well that's the way I have it. The world is crooked and there are crooked lawyers to defend crookedness. I've been wanting to do this a long time. I have always thought my family would suffer if I happened to pass and I want to get this in their name as fast as possible.

How can we as laborers do this if there is some one there not understanding the obligation you have toward this family or he might be some hypocrite. Say you were to transfer 71st Street to one of your sons. How could we avoid some type of conflict.

ELIJAH:

We will not have any as long as I am alive because nobody knows anything about this but my own family. You see we run it and we are just using your name as a trade name. We run it. See nobody knows anything about it. My son-in-law and Brother [redacted] are managers when it comes to the real point. They are the renters of the building and hold the papers and everything. Just like the grocery store. I rent that through [redacted] and he and [redacted] are with me in all this and using the temple's name. There is no one in the temple at this time could get enough on their side to overcome it. Like even the apartment, well I bought it myself

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as the one who got money to buy it myself in my name. There wouldn't be any problem there. Now if there is a new set comes up, a new laborer set, they could be altogether different and especially when I was dead. But if I'm not, they would not hardly, when they know the temple has had nothing in this. All of them know the temple hasn't had anything in this.

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My idea is converting/of the city and the country. I am not afraid of your going to the devil's restaurant. You are going to want to eat in you own restaurant. My desire in doing this is for the people to patronize their own because they are proud of it. I know you will run short if the people don't pay you but they will want to come because they will be proud of their restaurant.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971-38)  
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On 6/25/63, ██████████ reliable, made available  
the following information:

HALCOLM LITTLE, NOI minister, New York City, was in contact with ██████████ ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in Phoenix, whereupon minister HALCOLM was told to cancel the meeting between the brothers and ELIJAH for Sunday, (believed referring to 6/30/63) in Chicago. ELIJAH would not be able to talk to them but will make an appointment for another date. ELIJAH still hoped to be there (in Chicago, on Sunday. Minister HALCOLM stated he, HALCOLM, was to be at a rally in Camden, New Jersey, Sunday evening and also at a rally in New York City on Saturday evening. HALCOLM advised he would be in Chicago on Monday, (7/1/63) with a great report.

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with ██████████ Chicago, and told her "we all hope to see you this weekend."

The Phoenix Office possesses no other information pertaining to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD returning to Chicago and it appears that he may be leaving Phoenix on or about June 28 - 29, 1963. The Bureau and pertinent offices will be advised of developments.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-430085)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-33835)  
SUBJECT: AKBAR MUHAMMAD  
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[REDACTED] MUHAMMAD is also presently residing in Chicago having recently returned from Phoenix.

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[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on 6/26/63, that [REDACTED] had remarked (prior to [REDACTED] arrival) that he was returning to Egypt in approximately three weeks. [REDACTED] advised on 7/2/63, that [REDACTED] contemplated returning to Egypt in approximately two weeks, leaving Chicago around 7/15/63.

Chicago will keep the Bureau and New York advised of pertinent information developed in the above regard.

④ Bureau R/M  
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TITLE OF CASE  ELIJAH POOLE, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY b7C b1g
		CHARACTER OF CASE  IS - NOI	

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 4/5/63, b7C  
at Chicago.  
Chicago letter to Bureau, dated 4/16/63.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's activities.

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Copies of this report are being disseminated to G-2, Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) and Office of Special Investigation (OSI) locally in fulfilling responsibility under the delimitations agreement.

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A copy of this report is also being furnished the Phoenix Office in view of MUHAMMAD's maintaining an alternate residence in that city.

It is noted that on April 27, 1962, a suit was filed in United States District Court (USDC), Phoenix, Arizona, by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, BASHIE MUHAMMAD, JOYCE MUHAMMAD, ALBERT BROWN and FRANCES BROWN against the United States Government resulting from an automobile collision between MUHAMMAD's 1959 Cadillac driven by his chauffeur, ALBERT BROWN, and a Bureau of Indian Affairs bus which allegedly ran through a stop sign on January 25, 1962, near Chandler, Arizona. ALBERT BROWN was accompanied by his wife, FRANCES, both Nation of Islam (NOI) members; BASHIE MUHAMMAD, then Minister of the NOI in Phoenix, and his wife JOYCE. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD seeks \$5,200 damages to his own automobile, the other plaintiffs having filed for considerable sums for personal injuries (Bureau File 120-6964, Chicago File 120-495).

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On September 6, 1963, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) WILLIAM J. KNUDSEN, Jr., Phoenix, advised SA [REDACTED] that the above case would come to trial during the latter part of October, 1963, although no specific date has been set.

No additional specific information has been developed during the past six months from confidential sources indicating ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is engaged in extensive extra-marital activities with female members of the NOI. Some nonspecific information in generalities has been developed in that regard.

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[REDACTED] advised during March, 1963, that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD [REDACTED] discussed matters pertaining to income tax. In that regard such matters as gifts, deductions, income from properties, as well as donations was discussed. It was decided that a lawyer should be contacted in that regard. It is noted that Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is aware of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and his activities and considerable information from that service was recorded in referenced report.

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6.  Subject is employed in a key facility and is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are
7.  This report is classified confidential because (state reason) since data reported from ██████████ ██████████ could reasonably result in identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness thereof. b2  
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8.  Subject previously interviewed (dates)  Subject was not interviewed because (state reason) he is the National Leader of the NOI and there is no reason to believe he would cooperate if interviewed. Further, in view of MUHAMMAD's speeches, writings and broadcasts it is felt he could conceivably attempt to use such interview to be adverse to the FBI.
9.  This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
10.  This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason)  ELIJAH MUHAMMAD continues to be National Leader of the NOI.
11.  Subject's SI card  is  is not tabbed Detcom.  
 Subject's activities  do  do not warrant Detcom tabbing.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] b7c  
 Date: 10/4/63

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 100-6389

Bureau File #: 105-24822

Title: ELIJAH POOLE

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY -  
 NATION OF ISLAM

## Synopsis:

ELIJAH POOLE, also known as ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, is National Leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI) which maintains National headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. MUHAMMAD resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, and also maintains a residence at 2118 East Violet Drive, Phoenix, Arizona. MUHAMMAD spoke at an NOI function in Chicago during early 8/63. In his speeches and writings MUHAMMAD has referred to the white man as a devil and enemy of the black man and has called for unity, independence and land for the black race which he claims can be achieved through the NOI. MUHAMMAD writes a weekly column entitled "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" which appears in the newspaper "The New Crusader" and also appeared in the "Los Angeles Herald Dispatch" until 5/63. He also contributes regular articles to the NOI publication "Muhammad Speaks". His messages are broadcast regularly on various radio stations throughout the United States.

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The following organizations, mentioned in this report which have not been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450, are characterized hereinafter:

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Nation of Islam (NOI)

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On September 4, 1963,

advised SA [REDACTED]  
no current pertinent information concerning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

On September 25, 1963,

Investigative Clerk (IC) [REDACTED]  
no current information concerning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

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Criminal Record

On September 4, 1963, representatives of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office and the Phoenix, Arizona Police Department advised SA [REDACTED] that their records contain no current information concerning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. **b7C**

On September 25, 1963, a representative of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, advised IO [REDACTED] that records of that department contain no current information concerning ELIJAH POOLE or ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD during August, 1963, remarked in connection with any plans for NOI Ministers to be interviewed locally that emphasis must be made on the fact the Muslims approve separation as the answer to the black man's problem. He indicated he did not go along with ideas set forth by other Negro organizations calling for integration.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD informed a representative of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) in early September, 1963, that he had his permission to do an objective film study of the NOI for a future showing on the NBC Huntley-Brinkley television show. MUHAMMAD informed the representative of NBC to work through his Minister MALCOLM X from New York in that regard.

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During late August, 1963, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD reportedly conferred with [REDACTED] who had recently been graduated from the University of Mississippi. Specific details regarding that conference are unknown except that MUHAMMAD subsequently remarked that [REDACTED] talked considerably.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD during September, 1963, stated that he was not attempting to get "foreigners" into the NOI but his only task was that of attempting to "wake up the dead". He remarked that he did not need to try to pick up people outside America but if they wanted to come into the NOI it was alright with him. MUHAMMAD added that he did not desire any of his Ministers to take affirmative action in that regard.

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Writings

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"The New Crusader" is a self-described weekly newspaper published at 4327 South Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

During the period between March 23, 1963, and September 14, 1963, the column "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD appeared in "The New Crusader" on a weekly basis. Typical examples of information contained in those articles are as follows:

April 13, 1963, edition.....

"The black people are the true owners of the heavens and the earth. One of our scientists, Mr. Yakub, who wanted to try evil at ruling, grafted from the Black Nation a people un-alike -- the white race. Mr. Yakub was the founder of un-alike attracts the alike repels. He made them by nature 100 percent enemies to the Black Nation (as Allah has taught me). Mr. Yakub endowed them with a supreme knowledge of evil and good.

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They (the white race) are great scientists at tricking the black people. They were created by nature liars and murderers (as Allah has taught me.). They are the first liars and human murderers since the creation of our earth and have sought every evil means to exterminate us from our earth without exterminating themselves.

Their entire rule over the Black Nation is a rule of death. They bring suffering and death upon us with a smile! Their show of friendship with you is only false. Both Bible and Holy Qur-an constantly warn us against taking them for friends. History shows that all black people who took them for friends learned later that they had been deceived."

May 18, 1963, edition.....

"Nonviolence has a limit when it is used by the wise. We, the Muslims are also nonviolent, but we will fight like hell (the brave ones) with those who fight against us. This is the very law of nature - self defense - and it is recognized by God and man.

I hope the police department will not send their trained dogs against my followers. The white man is absolutely heartless; they are murderers of each other! What can we expect from them? My followers learned this in Los Angeles, California, on April 27, 1962, when the heavily armed savage police department attacked them shooting down six unarmed Muslims and killing one in cold blood for the simple reasons that we are Muslims. They had hoped by this savage attack and murder of a so-called Negro Muslim they would frighten other so-called Negroes from believing and uniting onto Islam."

June 22, 1963, edition.....

"There is no solution to the problem between the slave masters and their slaves other than the once slaves going for self; for they have become a nation in a nation. One or the other must leave the other or suffer death.

.....You send arms of heavily armed policemen to slay the unarmed so-called Negroes. Does this act of murder of unarmed people show that you are brave or cowards? You, like your fathers, hate and despise your slaves and you beat

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and murder them daily. And after such inhuman treatment you want them to love you so that you may carry out evil doings on them without resistance.

The beating and killing of those among us who say they are Muslims is most surely hastening your doom. You hate them because Allah has revealed the truth of you to them and you are angry and seek to take revenge on them for what Allah has made known to them of truth."

July 6, 1963, edition.....

"The United States Constitution was written for the white citizens of America and not for the slaves; the offer of integration today is proposed just to trap the free slaves and destroy our future of ever becoming an independent, united nation of people. This is the end of the white race's rulership over the Black Nations. These truths the American so-called Negroes must now understand. The steps that are now being made for a successful solution to the problem will serve as a lesson to the frightened leaders and their followers and will prepare them with more respect for Allah and his right solution to our problem. This is a universal change taking place today and the most difficult problem is the separation of the slave and his master."

August 10, 1963, edition.....

"Allah wants to make himself known in the Western Hemisphere that he is our God and has come to save us from the hands of our enemies and place us again in our own country and among our own people. He has said that he would do this job of delivering us and destroying those who have destroyed us....."

The "Los Angeles Herald Dispatch" is a self-described weekly newspaper published at 1401 West Jefferson Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. During the period between April 4, 1963, and May 2, 1963, the column "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" appeared in the "Los Angeles Herald Dispatch" on a weekly basis. The May 2, 1963, edition of that publication stated it contained the last item of "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" to be printed in that paper. Typical examples of information contained in these articles are as follows:

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April 4, 1963, edition.....

"The so-called Negroes have not justice under the law not only in the South but nowhere in America. As I plainly stated in Washington, D.C., in 1959 in the Uline Arena before ten million people that everything has failed us as far as justice is concerned; the Justice Department in Washington, the churches, the priests and the preachers have all failed the so-called Negroes when it comes to justice.....

What glory and honor does a so-called Negro get under the stars and stripes? No honor, no glory--only hell. We have proof of this by their so-called courts and justice. There is no justice for us; and this America knows. She would like to hurt everyone of you and make you like it; it pleases America to do you evil. But not we Muslimz; we will declare the truth and die for it! Thanks to Allah for removing fear from us and I believe he puts it in them that they may fear and tremble every day until they be taken out of the way."

April 11, 1963, edition.....

"The so-called American Negroes have become a nation within a nation but without a home of their own. Allah desires separation of the two races--so do I, and also a country for the so-called Negroes so they can live together in peace. And this is the only solution to peace for the two races."

The masthead of "Muhammad Speaks" describes that publication as being published by Muhammad's Mosque No. 2 on a biweekly basis and as having offices at 634 East 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois. Page one of each issue of that publication contains the statement "Dedicated to Freedom, Justice and Equality for the So-Called Negro. The Earth Belongs to Allah."

A review of all issues of "Muhammad Speaks" from April 1, 1963, through September 27, 1963, reflects that page one of all issues contained an article by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. Listed below by date are the captions of those articles by MUHAMMAD. Where pertinent, certain statements from the original source are set forth in part. Articles wherein information is set forth containing MUHAMMAD's usual line of writings have not been reported. Some of these issues in addition contained small items attributed to MUHAMMAD regarding the matter in which Islamic prayers should be made.

April 1, 1963, edition, "Awake and See the Truth".

April 15, 1963, edition, "Truth is the Best Guidance".

April 29, 1963, edition, "Learn to be Free".....  
"for 300 years here in America the so-called Negroes were not allowed to read or write. They were not allowed to visit white church meetings and consequently under this condition our foreparents were killed mentally.

Allah has never given a prophet's or son's life for the sins of the world of whiteman kind. For this race of people were created to be destroyed after their wicked rule.

The only people to be forgiven for their sins are the so-called Negroes. They are the real members of the originator of the heavens and earth who were lost from their people and had to be found.

They are the ones who were captured by the people of sins (the caucasian race) and made mentally dead to the knowledge of self and kind, and were deprived of the knowledge of God and God's prophets and the word of God brought by the prophets for right guidance for the human family while living under the rule of the devils (caucasian race).

Today they suspect their end is near and are red with anger. They are full of evil and indecent tricks to play on the Black Nation and especially the American so-called Negroes who have been swallowed by them and must be made to vomit them up. There is no mercy or good in them. Do not be deceived by thinking there is mercy or good in them. They are absolutely heartless.

How Allah is making manifest the truth of just who this great deceiver is! The devil and Satan is none other than the European white race whom Allah's poor people, the lost-found members of the great Asiatic Black Nation, the original people of the earth, the first and the last have been deceived.

The black people are the true owners of the heavens and the earth....."

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May 13, 1963, edition, "Killers to Judge".

May 24, 1963, edition, "The Fire Hose and the Dogs".

June 7, 1963, edition, "The Right of Self Defense"..."The unity (of the black man) must be backed by a power superior to the power of our enemies. This power is in Allah and the Nation of Islam whose armies are out stretched if we would only accept them.

It is ignorant to look for heaven from the devil who only seek to take you to their doom. They (Reverend KING and followers) want the rights that the Constitution offers to white citizens, but they are learning the hard way---that the Constitution does not apply to the black slaves. Number one. The right to vote: Certainly there is power in voting if there is justice for the so-called Negroes. But the crooked political machine of America can always keep the once slaves, free slaves."

June 21, 1963, edition, "We Must Have Justice". "We are falling on our knees praying to a merciless enemy (the white American) begging and pleading with blood and tears streaming down our bodies without the slightest sympathy from the universally known murderers (the white race) of devils.

"...They know to do good but cannot. Their religious teachings mean nothing in the way of being righteous people. A few here and there wish to go alright but are out numbered a thousand to one.

Now let us go from them and build a nation ourselves that God and the nations of the earth will respect. Your loving to live and become one of the race of devils who have proven to you for 400 years that they do not want you for anything but to enslave you in their behalf, is outright foolish and ignorant. Do not you want your own Black Nation to see you in a better light of understanding?"

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July 5, 1963 Edition  
"Black World is with us for Justice"

"The Government only wants to pacify her once slaves with fancy, false, promises, that she knows that she cannot fulfill without the loss of friendship and bloodshed among her own people..."

"We want some of this earth and its treasures of raw materials to build up an independent nation as you and other nations have done. We want to live in peace; it is impossible to get along with you in peace while you can not ever get along with each other in peace. We were created of the essence of peace while you were created of the essence of evilness and evilness you will always do with self or others.

"That awful day of our's will surely come; the appointed hour of our hastening by your evil intentions and doings to us, the poor black people. We who have given our sweat and blood all our lives, and now today we try for justice and you send your armed forces with trained, wild dogs to kill us as it is written of you; 'Ye have condemned and killed the just; and he doth not resist you'.

"There is no solution to the problem between the slave masters and their slaves other than the once slaves going for self; for they have become a nation in a nation. One or the other must leave the other or suffer death.

"It is the Government that is hindering a peaceful solution to this problem. It is true that the Government does not want her once slaves; but it is equally true that she does not want her once slaves to go from her because they can become dependent."

July 19, 1963 Edition  
"Hell Will Not Stand"

In addition to the principal item captioned as above on Page 1, Page 3 of this edition contained an item captioned

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"Father to Son" and was in the form of a letter from ELIJAH MUHAMMAD to his son, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, JR. in connection with current proceedings whereby ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, JR. was granted the adoption of a baby girl after answering questions concerning Islam asked by the judge. This letter in part stated as follows:

"If I have been teaching hate for the past 32 years in Chicago, I do not suppose I would have been able to live there -- not to think of my followers! I have been teaching the truth and if they call the truth hate, it is up to them and God to settle.

"...it is just the plain truth that Allah has revealed to me that I teach. It is natural that the white race would not want to be known as the real devils. But who am I to prevent it if it is the will of Allah.

"...you may give this letter to the judge that he may have a better understanding of what I am teaching. 32 years in Chicago have not produced any insurrection against the white people from what I teach. In fact, we have lived more peacefully among the whites since having the knowledge of them."

August 2, 1963 Edition  
"Separate and Be Saved"

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"The unwillingness of the slaves to leave their masters is due to their great love for the slave masters. If America is unwilling to grant her twenty million ex-slaves' freedom to go for self today, it is the same unwillingness of white America's foreparents' in dealing with our parents less than 100 years ago. Our forefathers' desire was to see us free indeed and not only are some of our people willing to betray those of our blood and kindred who died before us but are now willing to betray the fruition of freedom to our

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generations to come. Allah will help us to get this freedom, justice and equality and some of this earth we can call our own."

August 16, 1963 Edition  
"Beware of Phony Claims"

August 30, 1963 Edition  
"Prison for the Innocent"

September 13, 1963 Edition  
"Jurors Admit Trial Unjust"

"Six jurors of the original twelve who acted as judges for justice on the charges made against my followers involving the attack upon them by the Los Angeles Police Department on April 27, 1962, thought the judges' decision to be unjust and against their wishes, as they had agreed that the Muslims had already received enough punishment regardless to whatever the charges the Police Department had against them: one killed outright, one paralyzed for life and the others wounded from the vicious, savage, outrageous attack upon the Mosque and the Muslims in it on that fateful night of April 27, 1962.

"The confession of these six members of the jury cannot be ignored; this is about the first time, to my knowledge, that the jury comes out and makes a confession of the courts injustice to so-called Negroes in a trial; that they (the jury) did not send in any such decision, or the decision made by the judge was not according to the jury's findings of justice, and were against such decision the judge made.

"The teaching of Islam, or the true knowledge of the white race is not to be mistaken as a teaching to make the white man feel ashamed of what and how he has treated the American so called Negroes, the lost - found members of the Asiatic Black Nation. No! But to make them manifest to the lost - found (so called Negroes) who have been made to believe that they (the whites) are equal members of the Divine God of Justice and righteousness."

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September 27, 1963 Edition  
"A United Drive for Liberty"

"The thing that the so-called Negro should do is the thing that they will not do because of their great love for the white race. This is the fault of the leadership of the so-called Negroes; the educators, teachers, politicians and religious leaders and teachers or whatever you may be.

"My people should get together and confer over the best way to unshackle our people from the hands and power of the slave masters' children.

"And you whoever has the best idea for the solution to our peoples' problem we all should agree and put it into force; carry it into practice and then soon we will be respected not only by our people in Asia and Africa, but the very children of our slave master.

"Today I preach separation in order to try and save my people from being totally destroyed as a people by the white race. For they will not destroy the white race by the intermixing of blood. My people do not love themselves. They love the white man because of their lack of knowledge of the white race. I do not love the devils, but I do have respect for those who want to keep and love their own race.

"...I do not have any respect for any ... white supremacy organizations that want to sneak around today and might disgrace the blind, deaf and dumb so-called Negro women in the way of illicit relationships."

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The September 27, 1963 issue of the "Muhammad Speaks", Volume 3, Number 1, contained on Page 6, an item captioned "On Nationwide Radio! The Honorable Elijah Muhammad Speaks." Listed there under was a schedule of weekly broadcasts of MUHAMMAD by city, station, time and wave lengths on various stations throughout the United States.

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Property

On April 1, 1963, [REDACTED], Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Washington, D.C., advised SA [REDACTED] that the property at the address, 1122 Staples Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. is owned by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD who took title to the property on July 23, 1962.

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Records of the District of Columbia Government, Real Estate Assessment Tax Rolls for the fiscal year 1963, reviewed on April 1, 1963, by SA [REDACTED] reflected that the address, 1122 Staples Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. was then owned by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD who resided at 4847 Woodlawn, Chicago 15, Illinois. The records showed that the lot involved a square footage of 2,888 and the land was valued at \$1415.00. The records further indicated that the house was valued at

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\$6200.00 making a total valuation for tax purposes of \$7615.00. The above tax rolls did not show any other property listed for ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in Washington, D.C.

Other Information

The April 30, 1963, issue of the New York Herald Tribune, Page 1, contained an item by ROBERT S. BIRD, National Correspondent of the Herald Tribune concerning an interview with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. The item in substance stated that MUHAMMAD remarked that the Muslims would not participate in any violence whatsoever but would continue doing what they have been doing in the past, namely stripping themselves of arms to let people know that they are not violent people. MUHAMMAD described the NOI as the first converts to Islam in America and the first to be cleaned and made fit to be called Muslims. MUHAMMAD stated that carrying weapons on the part of Muslims is strictly prohibited and added that ALLAH had revealed that the black man is the original man and that was what he, MUHAMMAD, taught. MUHAMMAD stated that integration is young and that he agreed with Southern segregationists. He urges his followers to clean themselves up and refers to the white man as devils because it is the white man's nature to be a devil. He said that ALLAH has revealed to MUHAMMAD, that he should not demand territory in America but only ask Americans to give Muslims a place for themselves as they are not accepted by Americans as their equals.

During June, 1963, MUHAMMAD stated that there are no compulsory dues in the NOI as each member is required to pay only what he can afford. He stated that there are enough cities and town in America to have at least 120 NOI temples. He also stated that Muslims are Asiatics and that the black man lived prior to the white man. He added that Egyptians, Turks and Arabians are all black. He stated that the black man's nature is good and that the white man has created evil. He said insofar as he himself was concerned he had nothing in America to fight for but that he could answer for no one but himself.

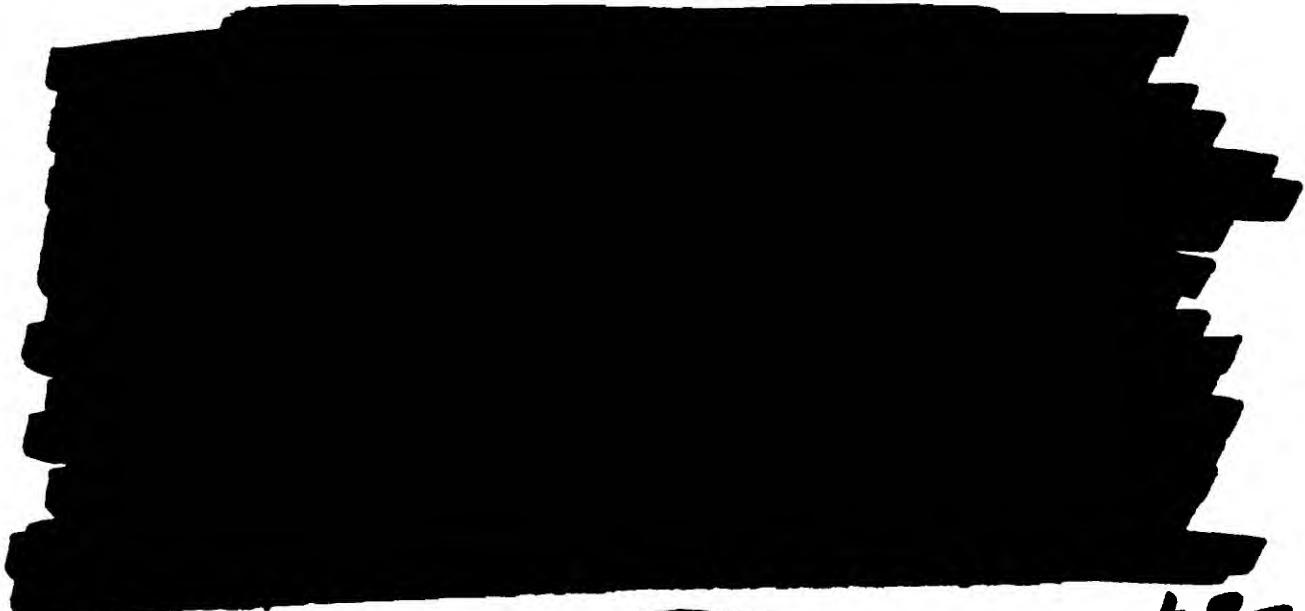
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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stated during late June, 1963, that Islam was the true religion of GOD, that Muslims would never be aggressors in case of an armed conflict as they have no arms and that he was opposed to integration. He added in the latter regard that he did not endorse the current integration activities taking part in the nation.

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APPENDIX

FRUIT OF ISLAM

On July 10, 1963, a source advised that the Fruit of Islam (FOI) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) composed of male members of the NOI. The purpose of the FOI is to protect officials and property of the NOI, assure compliance of members with NOI teachings and to prepare for the "War of Armageddon." Members of the FOI are required to participate in military drill and are afforded the opportunity to engage in judo training. The FOI is governed by a military system wherein the members are controlled by general orders similar to those issued by regular military organizations.

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NATION OF ISLAM, Formerly referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, also known as Muhammad's Temples of Islam

In January, 1957, a source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

On July 10, 1963, a second source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI; and in mid-1960 MUHAMMAD and other NOI officials, when referring to MUHAMMAD's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following MUHAMMAD's teachings and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils," in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Title	ELIJAH POOLE
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - NATION OF ISLAM
Reference	Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (100-5593)

SUBJECT: ELIJAH MUHAMMAD  
IS - NOI

Re Chicago tel to Phoenix dated 10/16/63.

Subject and three females arrived Phoenix as  
scheduled the evening of 10/16/63. Subject presently  
staying at 2118 E. Violet Drive, Phoenix.ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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FROM SAC, PHOENIX

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD., IS DASH NOI.

RE PHOENIX TEL OCTOBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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FROM SAC, PHOENIX /100-5593/ /105-93/  
ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, IS - NOI.  
RE PXTEL OCTOBER TWENTYFIVE LAST.

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD AND BERNICE CUSHMEER LEFT PHOENIX ONE THIRTY  
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October 24, 1963

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information: reliable made available the following

An unknown brother (possibly identical with Minister [REDACTED] of Los Angeles, California) advised ELLIAH MUHAMMAD that he had talked to a devil - JOHN HART, on that day, who spoke about his program.

The unknown brother said it was a tape and was not a live television program. He said it is a viewpoint show, which is taped on Friday afternoon and then shown on Sunday at 3 p.m.

The unknown brother said he had spoken to PAUL DUNLAP, a newspaper man, about an interview - in regard to the possibility of ELLIJAH MUHAMMAD appearing there later on. (Possibly referring to Los Angeles)

ELIJAH stated he would have to think it over and for the unknown brother to write him a letter.

November 6, 1953

ELLJAH HUMARIAH was in contact with an unknown man (possibly [redacted]) and ELLJAH stated the

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New York show is the first day and Sunday of next month. He said he (believed referring to MALCOLM LITTLE) was here yesterday and everything looked great. ELLIJAH commented that they would have a type of TV that shows on the outside so those who can't get in can see. He said his subject will be "The Evils of Integration and the Good of Separation."

November 4, 1963

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[redacted] made available the following information:

MALCOLM LITTLE was in contact with ELLIJAH MUHAMMAD and spoke about the trials in Rochester, Monroe, etc. whereupon MALCOLM mentioned it would be a good idea to hire someone to go from coast to coast and get all the stories of cases in which their religious beliefs were violated.

MALCOLM stated it could be written up in book form and sold.

ELLIJAH commented he would back something of that nature. ELLIJAH mentioned he would be in New York around the first and said he didn't want a press conference.

MALCOLM spoke about the black-out by the newspapers on the Muslims. He stated ROY WILKINS (of the NAACP) told the newspapers that the Muslims would die down if they stopped printing news about them. After that the stories had almost stopped.

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FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-83)  
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On 11/7/63 [REDACTED] made available the  
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[REDACTED] Elijah Muhammad was in contact with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] of Chicago, at which time Elijah spoke about his forth-  
coming speech in New York on 12/1/63 and in Los Angeles.  
He said make the material available to him as soon as possible.

[REDACTED] made  
available to [REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois) the text of Elijah Muhammad's speech.  
The title of the speech was stated to be "Black People Cannot  
Assemble Peaceably in America. American Devils May Manifest".  
The main theme of the material related to the Flint, Michigan  
meeting on 10/27/63, where armed police entered and allegedly  
harassed them.

[REDACTED] At the end of this material furnished by [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Elijah Muhammad stated "I have two more appearances  
for this year. One on December first in New York City and  
in Los Angeles, California, on December 2nd. I hope you  
who love peace and the black people be there".

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On 11/17/63 [REDACTED] reliable, made available  
the following information:

b7C [REDACTED] ELIJAH MUHAMMAD commented to [REDACTED] that he wanted to go to South Africa next year. He mentioned that the United States may not give him a passport but he could go to Mexico and from there he could anywhere he wanted without a passport. ELIJAH also said he could come back the same way. ELIJAH mentioned he could go through Canada if he wanted to. He said he had enough friends in the world to go anywhere he wanted to without any of the enemies knowing where he was. He said he would sneak around if he had to.

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[redacted] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and wanted to talk with him to see what he had in mind for the column. [redacted] mentioned that the publisher of the newspaper had put into a frame a copy of the particular issue of the paper and said it was hanging on his wall. [redacted] commented that the publisher is a "devil" who stated it was the best reproduction he had ever seen, no matter even with the headline. (Probably referring to a photograph of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in the 11/22/63 issue of "Muhammad Speaks".)

[redacted] stated that he and [redacted] had been invited by the official government without cost to them to go to Kenya, Africa, for the Kenya - Celebration. He said that "Muhammad Speaks" was the only newspaper in the United States invited to this affair. [redacted] stated that he cannot go as he must stay and handle the paper but he wanted to know if [redacted] could go along with [redacted]. He said they need the kind of material they could get from there. He also said they wanted someone who can write and [redacted] is pretty well known there. (It is believed [redacted] refers to a writer of a column identified in "Muhammad Speaks" as [redacted].) [redacted] stated they both could go and then leave [redacted] there to do the journalistic work.

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(1 - 105-24822)  
4 - Chicago (100-35635) (RM)  
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(1 - [redacted])  
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3 - New York (105-7809) (RM)  
(1 - 105-8999) (MALCOLM LITTLE)  
(1 - [redacted])  
2 - Phoenix  
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[REDACTED] said there had been a lot of reaction to the last front page column (believed referring to "Muhammad Speaks" issue 11/22/63 in a "open letter to non-whites") and he wanted to send some of the letters to ELIJAH. ELIJAH said he would like to see some of them as it would give him food for thought.

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[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and asked about the special article he talked about a week ago. ELIJAH stated it would go in the paper in his same regular article section. He added on the back page they could use a regular insert picture of him. [REDACTED] also asked about the advertising of ELIJAH's forthcoming New York appearance on the first. ELIJAH stated it was not necessary to make too big a thing of it.

[REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] (PH) had spoken to him concerning [REDACTED] talk with ELIJAH. (It is possible this man was responsible for [REDACTED] invitation to Kenya, Africa.) ELIJAH told [REDACTED] he wanted to talk to him first so he could give [REDACTED] a little help so that he could make a good showing on the visit. [REDACTED] said he had already agreed to go and that it was set up for December 2nd. He said [REDACTED] had something special for him but it was just for the two of them to do (meaning for [REDACTED])

[REDACTED] asked ELIJAH if MALCOLM (LITTLE) had told him about the Joe in New York who has a plant that manufactures clothes. ELIJAH replied that he had not whereupon [REDACTED] stated the plant and all of the machinery such as sewing machines, is worth close to a million dollars and since the Joe was going bankrupt, he was willing to sell the whole thing for \$40,000. [REDACTED] said MALCOLM was supposed to look into it. ELIJAH said they would talk about it when

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they got together. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] might also be there (New York City). ELIJAH stated they would make up something but that [REDACTED] himself would have to use his own ideas some on his trip.

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SAC, PHOENIX (105-83)

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On 11/21/63 [REDACTED] reliable, made available the following information:

[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and mentioned the FLINT incident (referring to Flint, Michigan). [REDACTED] stated he had just come from the Attorney's office and the Attorney said that they (the Muslims) were right and even though the city ordinance says that the police can come into meetings that are stipulated it accepts lectures or religious meetings.

He said the Attorney thinks they have a good case whereupon ELIJAH said to tell him to go ahead. [REDACTED] said the Attorney wants to file a complaint in U. S. District Court on the basis that their civil rights were violated, and also file a suit against the auditorium for breach of contract. It was stated the cost would be \$50.00 for court procedures and if they do not win it will not cost them anything.

[REDACTED] had already given the \$50.00 to the Attorney. [REDACTED] advised ELIJAH that he, [REDACTED] would keep him advised of developments. [REDACTED] added that the believers in Flint, Michigan, were 100% behind them.

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3 - Phoenix  
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60 AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971-38)  
(105-24822)

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-93) (P)

NATION OF ISLAM  
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On 11/26/63, [REDACTED] (reliable), made  
available the following information:

[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and said he was scheduled to leave there (Chicago) and wanted to know if ELIJAH wanted him to see him in Phoenix since ELIJAH was not going to be in New York. ELIJAH said he might save [REDACTED] the trip and make the run himself -- just for an hour or two with him. ELIJAH also said he could take care of some more business there anyway. [REDACTED] said he was to leave Saturday (11/30/63) and ELIJAH said he would let him know by Thursday (11/26/63). b7C

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1 - New York (105-7809) (RM)

3 - Phoenix (105-93)  
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MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971-38)

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-93)

SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM  
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Date: 11/27/63

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[REDACTED], reliable, made available the following information on the dates designated:

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was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated that they were having a unity meeting that evening and there were 300 attending. ELIJAH commented it would continue since their little talk. ELIJAH mentioned he would try to surprise the temple some day with a visit for them only. He told the minister he would see him in about one week (apparently referring to New York City).

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An unknown man (believed to be [REDACTED] of Los Angeles, California) was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and told ELIJAH that was the day he was supposed to go to Fresno for a TV appearance. The unknown caller said the man had talked to him about the TV appearance and had sent some more stuff [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The broadcast is supposed to cover an area composed of 50,000 Negroes and 55,000 migrant Mexican workers. The rates were to be \$50.00 for one-half hour

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(1 - 105-24822)
- 3 - Chicago (RM)  
(1 - 100-35635)  
(1 - 100-6989 - ELIJAH MUHAMMAD)
- 2 - Boston (97-145) (RM)  
(1 - 100- [REDACTED] LOUIS X)
- 1 - Denver (100-8098) (RM)
- 1 - Miami (105-544) (RM)
- 3 - Los Angeles (105-938) (RM)
- 2 - New York (105-7809) (RM)  
(1 - 100-8999 - MALCOLM LITTLE)
- 2 - Phoenix (105-938) (RM)

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and the unknown man suggested to ELIJAH that they use it twice a month, although ELIJAH stated \$100.00 a month was too expensive and once a month would be better. The unknown man told ELIJAH he thought this coverage would increase the sale of the paper and make up for the broadcast cost.

The unknown man asked ELIJAH if he had decided anything on the half hour interview for channel #2 who wanted him to do it. ELIJAH told the unknown man to see him later and dismiss the matter with him.

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**b7c** was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and mentioned that the tape was on its way. He asked ELIJAH about the followers taking buses and cars to New York City on December 1, 1963, and commented the place holds from 2,500 to 3,000 people. He said many Muslims from Chicago, Illinois, wanted to attend, whereupon ELIJAH stated the New York area could fill the hall so the others should not come. ELIJAH stated the key people such as the ministers, captains, etc., could attend and those that had a little extra money. He did not want the others to go to the extra expense since it was not too far away from Saviour's Day. ELIJAH commented the ones on the West Coast would receive a visit from him next month and that could take the place of them going to Chicago for Saviour's Day on February 26, 1964. ELIJAH stated Minister MALCOLM had said the place (referring to New York City) would not hold more than 3,000 and he was not preparing a place for the entire East Coast, West Coast and central part of the country. ELIJAH told [redacted] to go sometime next week in advance to look things over and report to him what he found.

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[REDACTED] commented that the "True" magazine just came out and it did not print the interview with ELIJAH, but instead used an excerpt from "Lowmacks" (phonetic) book. ELIJAH stated they just don't want what he, ELIJAH, says published as it is too direct.

ELIJAH stated he would like to replace the minister in Miami with the brother from Denver. [REDACTED] said he would send the address of the Denver brother to ELIJAH, and ELIJAH said he would offer the Miami brother the Denver post, but would not put him anyplace in the South. ELIJAH pointed out that he needs a Number 1 Man in Miami.

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On 11/27/63 [REDACTED] reliable, made available  
the following information:

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with his son [REDACTED] and explained to him what to ask and find out on his trip. (Believed referring to [REDACTED] trip to Africa.) In speaking to [REDACTED] ELIJAH told him to say, suppose he were a Muslim and if he would come here (in the country [REDACTED] is to visit) and seek a chance to live among them if he could not live elsewhere whether it would be possible for him to make a living there with them and what kind of work. ELIJAH told [REDACTED] that he should find out about their exports and imports everywhere he goes. He said he should ask in case of war what would be their main source of defense, and ask them if they are not producing it from whom do they expect to get it (help) from, to compete with the modern world. He told [REDACTED] to learn about the vicinities of Muslims in the areas and other religious faiths. He said he should learn what kind of government they have, such as democratic, republic or president. He should ask the square area of the country and ask them if they make their own clothes, and if not, where do they get their clothes.

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He should inquire as to the type of industries that they have. ELIJAH stated these were the things he wants discussed and he had not told [REDACTED] everything and would the next time he sees him. He said there is another place they can go other than that place, and he wants to scour that country in the next year or so from one side to the other. (Believed referring to Africa.)

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- 1 - New York [REDACTED] (RM)
- 3 - Chicago (100-35635) (RM)  
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[REDACTED] commented the country is three times as large as the United States.

[REDACTED] then said, "This here man he just came from Peking-here last Sunday. He called me and he asked me would you accept an invitation to Peking because when he was there they have asked him all the time about our Muslim movement here, so I told him that we are not affiliated no way with the communist world and we are not seeking to be affiliated with them. But we are glad to know anybody is interested in us. And I told him to write or ask you (ELIJAH) concerning that."

ELIJAH commented we do not mind going just for tourist purposes, and the next time say certainly we accept any tour for observation and to see the world. ELIJAH said it's the only way that they can learn about another is to go see what they have and to see whether theirs is worthy for themselves or whether their own is as good. ELIJAH said this was the way [REDACTED] should talk to them. He said tell them yes he would go anywhere for knowledge. He want to know what they are doing and if they are having anything or not. Everybody is free to do that. ELIJAH said every civilized person wants to learn every man's civilization or way of civilization so he will know if his is good or the best. ELIJAH stated he wished [REDACTED] had told him before he gave him an answer. [REDACTED] said, "He just called me Sunday morning. He had just come from there and he was there in Cuba. He was calling me from Cuba. I didn't have time to think so I just told him - -." ELIJAH said, "I understand."

[REDACTED] then said, "This was [REDACTED], this man that - -." ELIJAH said, "Yes, I understand." ELIJAH stated they would like to know everybody teaching of Islam is getting windon wherever they can, even if it is in China.

ELIJAH then told [REDACTED] wherever he goes he and his brother [REDACTED] should keep their eyes and hearts aloe from any such things - as attractions or fascinations. He

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said even if it's present and everyone is taking part - stand aloof from it. He said they are watching them [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and they must keep their chins up as though they don't see anything so they will represent the Muslins the right way. He told [REDACTED] to tell [REDACTED] this. He told [REDACTED] they should stay away from too much foolishness and must act serious. He said they must get all the news they can of what the entire picture looks like. Afterwards, [REDACTED] can put some of the news in the paper ("Muhammad Speaks"). He said they should know what the people eat, how the families live, and the life of the people.

ELIJAH spoke of boosting of the paper ("Muhammad Speaks") and wants to double or triple it. He told [REDACTED] to send [REDACTED] each time at least 100 or 200 copies of the paper.

(A separate communication has been directed to the Bureau concerning [REDACTED])

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## TELETYPE

TO : SAC, PHOENIX (105-5593)  
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-6989)  
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There are enclosed herewith six copies of letterhead memorandum concerning captioned matter.

It will be noted that the source of information set out in letterhead memorandum is ██████████ reliable, which made this information available on 11/14/63. **b2**

The letterhead memorandum has been classified "Confidential" since data reported by this source could reasonably result in the identification of a confidential informant of continuing value.

Letterhead memorandum is being submitted to the Bureau in order that copies can be made available to Legat, Mexico City.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Phoenix, Arizona

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. :

December 4, 1963

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised in November, 1963, that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD spoke about receiving a letter from Mexico in which he had been made an honorary member of the Academy of Human Science and Relations. He stated the letter was signed by the President of Mexico. He said he was going to frame it and hang it in his library. He stated so many people outside of America were happy about the work he is doing.

A characterization of the Nation of Islam (NOI) and ELIJAH MUHAMMAD appears in the appendix hereto.

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APPENDIX

NATION OF ISLAM, formerly referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, also known as Muhammad's Temples of Islam

In January, 1957, a source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam".

On May 2, 1962, a second source advised: ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI). Muhammad's Temple of Islam Number 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI. In Mid-1960, MUHAMMAD and other NOI officials when referring to Muhammad's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following MUHAMMAD's teaching and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils", in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon".

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

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APPENDIX

Nation of Islam (continued)

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Date: 12/6/63

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971)

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-93) (P) *ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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**b2** Re Chicago tel to Bureau, etc., 12/4/63.

**b7C** [REDACTED] (reliable) made available the following  
information on the date designated:

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**b7C** [REDACTED] New York City,  
was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated he had  
talked to the Chicago Office of the Black Muslims and  
[REDACTED] stated he could contact ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in Phoenix.  
[REDACTED] said they had received ELIJAH's telegrams and from  
Chicago about "Mr. X" and he, [REDACTED], was trying to  
obtain additional background data. He said that ELIJAH  
had said (in the telegram) he (referring to MALCOLM LITTLE)

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1 - Los Angeles (105-2604) (RM) (Info)  
2 - New York (105-809) (RM) (Info)  
(1 - 105-8999)  
4 - Phoenix (105-93)  
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was suspended from further public speaking. [REDACTED] said he desired to know if he (MALCOLM) was also suspended as a minister. ELIJAH replied "No". It should read "he is suspended for the time being from public speaking". ELIJAH said that he (MALCOLM) is not suspended from the ministry -- maybe it is not permanent as they have rules of punishment and this is one of those things.

[REDACTED] asked ELIJAH if they have a set of rules for conduct that is not in keeping with the aims of ELIJAH's group and ELIJAH said "we have punishment for everything that is not according to the way of Islam". He asked ELIJAH if this in his view was not according to the way of Islam and ELIJAH replied that "he just didn't speak for us and I don't say this is the rule of Islam but this is not in according with our own way that we are trying to get along in the country." [REDACTED] asked him how long he would be suspended and ELIJAH stated "that I will not say". [REDACTED] asked if MALCOLM was to be brought before a board or anything like that and ELIJAH said "I'm the board". [REDACTED] asked ELIJAH if he was going to speak to him (MALCOLM) about it or whether he had and ELIJAH said "that's all -- I will not go into that". [REDACTED] asked ELIJAH what specifically MALCOLM had said in the speech that ELIJAH objected to and ELIJAH said what he has already said covers everything - "he didn't speak for me or my followers."

[REDACTED] asked ELIJAH about his being in Phoenix, Arizona and ELIJAH stated he has a winter home in Phoenix.

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A man from an unknown news service in Chicago was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and said he had just talked with [REDACTED] in Chicago. ELIJAH stated [REDACTED] and is not the spokesman for the Muslims.

The unknown man asked ELIJAH if he did not send him a telegram and ask him to release the information to the press. ELIJAH said he sent it to the editor of their paper (MUHAMMAD Speaks) and not to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The unknown man asked ELIJAH if it would be possible for [REDACTED] or for [REDACTED] to tell them for television what ELIJAH's decision had been. He said they want them to just quote ELIJAH saying that MALCOLM had been suspended and so forth and [REDACTED] stated he could not do this without ELIJAH's permission. ELIJAH agreed to have [REDACTED] do it if just this statement was made: "ELIJAH MUHAMMAD had suspended MALCOLM X for the time being and it remains to be seen what decision will be made in the future".

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MALCOLM LITTLE was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated while he was out the secretary there (in New York City) had said some five different news services had called there asking if MALCOLM had been suspended -- it was on the wire service, and MALCOLM said he had not heard it. ELIJAH said that "yes they, the office in Chicago, have it from here--that you have been suspended for the time being -- that you will not be making any public speeching for the time being -- there is no definite time set". ELIJAH then said "this was for the best". MALCOLM asked what he should say whether nothing at all, and ELIJAH said he should say "yes I'm suspended until he tells me to begin again -- or you can tell them whatever he has said then that's what it is". MALCOLM said he had misunderstood ELIJAH when he was talking to MALCOLM. He thought ELIJAH would allow MALCOLM to administer some of the business. I just said "that still stands, it is public speaking" (MALCOLM seemed relieved to hear this). ELIJAH told MALCOLM when he saw him he would talk to him. MALCOLM stated that "last night they had a meeting with the officials trying to get ourselves lined up". ELIJAH said everything else would be the same -- he was referring only to public

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speaking and he was suspended for the time being. He said it included MALCOLM's own pulpit as it is public, but the other job or work is the same. ELIJAH said "I think it is good for the whole entire community". MALCOLM said it had already helped him.

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[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated he was with the audio recording section and they make recordings of interviews for radio. He stated he had spoken with a clerk at "MUHAMMAD SPEAKS" newspaper in Chicago concerning his suspension of MALCOLM X who read to [REDACTED] ELIJAH's statement, and he [REDACTED] was wondering if ELIJAH would let him record ELIJAH making the statement or if they could ask him some questions about it. ELIJAH asked [REDACTED] to tell him word for word the statement, he, [REDACTED] had and [REDACTED] did. This statement was: "Sunday, December 1 at the Manhattan Center in New York City when Minister MALCOLM SHABBAZZ addressed the public and mentioned the President's death, he did not speak for Muslims. He was speaking for himself and not for the Muslims in general. He has been suspended from public speaking for the time being. The nation still mourns the loss of our President. signed ELIJAH MUHAMMAD." ELIJAH stated that he had given that statement and it was in according to what he said. [REDACTED] said instead of quoting someone else as to what ELIJAH had said, the radio stations preferred to hear ELIJAH himself saying it. ELIJAH stated that it did not seem necessary to repeat it and could only add "I did not approve what he said and he was not speaking for me nor for my followers. He said these things of himself and the public should not take what he said to mean me or my followers. MALCOLM was talking for himself". [REDACTED] asked ELIJAH to comment on how, he and he and his followers feel about the President's assassination. ELIJAH said "we feel like we said, we was shocked. We were shocked of the sudden death of our President -- just as we said". [REDACTED] asked ELIJAH

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what he thought the effect of the President's death will be on the situation regarding the racial antagonisms here in the United States. ELIJAH stated he did not know and would not prophesied on it. He continued by stating "this thing looks terrible and I am also a public speaker myself and I think its awful for the Government to have such a bad spot on it like -- even though I wasn't here when Lincoln was assassinated, but I still say that was also bad and the others who followed his assassination and received the same treatment out of the due process of law. It just looks terrible and especially when the President has probably said something or tried to do something in the way of good towards the so called Negroes. All of these Presidents that was assassinated since 1865 spoke something in favor of the Negroes. I don't say that's why President Kennedy was assassinated, but its something that he said in favor to the Negroes that the people didn't like or what. I'm not going into that because I don't know, but due to the past history of the others that was assassinated according to history they were somewhat sympathetic towards the condition and future of the Negro."

[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and told him he had made the release and had received many calls about extra comments which he had referred them to ELIJAH. ELIJAH said it was all right, and he had referred them to the right one. ELIJAH said he sent the statement out and has been answering the press. He said the news have what he, ELIJAH, said and MALCOLM should have said it himself. ELIJAH said, "I could not help from punishing MALCOLM a little for saying something that I didn't tell him to say. He should have told the people what I said and not what he said because what I said was the way everybody felt -- we were all surprised, and we were all shocked -- so that is the truth of it." ELIJAH told [REDACTED] it was all right for them to make the statement he, ELIJAH, gave them on television. ELIJAH stated he was sending an article for the paper (MUHAMMAD Speaks) which is on the same subject and he wanted it in the next issue.

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[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated he had been told by NBC in Los Angeles that MALCOLM X had been suspended. ELIJAH affirmed this and said just for the time being. [REDACTED] asked if he could do a film interview with ELIJAH and asked him his plans for the future, who might replace MALCOLM X for the time being, and if there would be any change in ELIJAH's program and what his plans were, etc. ELIJAH stated he had already given his statement about the matter. [REDACTED] pointed out as for the TV they liked to see the person making the statement. ELIJAH stated MALCOLM has been a faithful worker for him, but when they don't carry out your orders, you have to punish them. ELIJAH said he regretted the talk Sunday that he made because it was not in line with our opinions and nothing of the kind. ELIJAH said he thought he should appear on the interview since he is the leader and to clear up the matter.

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(reliable) made available the following

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was talking about MALCOLM X and said MALCOLM should have known better than to talk about the President as he had and that he, ELIJAH, had told him to lay off as it was too hot. ELIJAH said there is a time for everything. He mentioned when MALCOLM was speaking in New York City, he criticized the President when ELIJAH had a tape playing in Los Angeles at the same time saying how sorry they were it had happened. ELIJAH said he did not like to do a thing like that (suspend MALCOLM) but he had no alternative. ELIJAH stated he made him (ELIJAH) look like a fool and the people looked to him to see if he would back MALCOLM. ELIJAH stated such talk could get them into trouble when the man is not even cold in the grave. He said MALCOLM was at his house in Chicago and he talked to MALCOLM about this and told MALCOLM he would be suspended and should go on with his other work, but let someone else do all the public speaking.

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read the article about MALCOLM and ELIJAH said this would ruin MALCOLM's career and he was sorry it had to happen. ELIJAH said the reporter who wrote the article was at the meeting in New York City and MALCOLM seemed to say the things the "devil" expected him to say. ELIJAH mentioned a comment made by MALCOLM -- how happy he (MALCOLM) was when the plane crashed some time ago carrying 21 people from Atlanta, Georgia to their death, and how he (MALCOLM) had received a message from God and was happy over it. ELIJAH said MALCOLM now has said how happy he is over the President. ELIJAH said "papa" had to spank his son (MALCOLM) and if he accepts his punishment, he will be okay, but if he sticks out his lip and starts popping off, he will get a worse beating the next time. ELIJAH said he was more surprised than anyone because he did not think MALCOLM would say such a thing.



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Mr. DeLoach  
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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD

A recent news release announced that Malcolm X (a high-ranking minister of the Nation of Islam (NOI), commonly known as the Black Muslim movement) had been suspended by Elijah Muhammad, the self-styled prophet of the NOI, for stating that the death of President Kennedy had pleased him.

This may evoke surprise in some quarters not too familiar with the Black Muslim movement as Malcolm X was generally considered to be the heir apparent to Elijah Muhammad. Maybe this is Muhammad's way of taking Malcolm X down a peg as well as taking steps to insure that a successor to his mantle will come from among his own large family. It is noteworthy that practically all of his sons and daughters as well as in-laws have been firmly ensconced in positions of authority in the NOI hierarchy. It is no secret that Muhammad's immediate family had considered Malcolm X to be a threat to their own positions in the NOI.

While the cruel vicious statement attributed to Malcolm X regarding President Kennedy's assassination would shock the most hardened individuals, it should not be any great surprise to anyone who is cognizant of the violent hateful teachings of the NOI. In this respect, one only has to recall that large segments of the NOI took great pleasure in the fact that a recent plane crash in Paris, France, took the lives of over 100 tourists and vacationers from Atlanta, Georgia. These NOI followers claimed that this crash was brought about by "Allah" as a means of getting even with the "white devil" for the various injustices perpetrated upon the black people of the world. The term "white devil" is used in NOI circles to refer to all individuals of the white race.

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Elijah Muhammad

The suspension of Malcolm X by Elijah Muhammad should not be taken as an indication that the NOI is in any way tempering or softening its vicious antiwhite teachings. It only indicates that Elijah Muhammad is more politic than his disciple, Malcolm X, in that even he realizes that Malcolm X could not go undisciplined for making such an ill-timed, barbaric statement regarding the death of the President.

NOTE:

- See memorandum Mr. Bland to Mr. Sullivan, dated 12-6-63, same caption, [redacted] fjh.

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b7C [REDACTED], reliable, made available the following  
 information on the dates designated:

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b7C [REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and said he had ELIJAH's release concerning MALCOLM X's suspension, and that he had a delegation of three people at the office that morning who wanted to know if ELIJAH had backed down on his stand regarding white people--in regard to the President. [REDACTED] said he wanted ELIJAH's statement, whereupon ELIJAH said no--what he had said--he was not backing down on any truth. ELIJAH said MALCOLM speaking as he did "This was not in accordance with our policy." ELIJAH said MALCOLM "He spoke out of turn according to our policy." [REDACTED] then spoke to ELIJAH about a headline such as "MALCOLM X Bows to the Will of the Messenger". ELIJAH commented that it was just a disciplinary action, and that their policy had not changed. ELIJAH said he disagreed mainly about MALCOLM's comments about the chickens coming home to roost. He disagreed with MALCOLM using such terms.

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He said it was wrong--it was out of place. Upon being asked how long the suspension would last, ELIJAH said it would depend on MALCOLM's actions. [REDACTED] inquired about any split between ELIJAH and MALCOLM, and ELIJAH said there was none. He said MALCOLM X is still on his post as Minister of the New York City Mosque, but was only relieved of making public speeches until such time ELIJAH felt he was fitted again. ELIJAH said "It was only a little spanking--that's all." [REDACTED] said they would write it up that MALCOLM was still on his post and that it was a disciplinary action and it was not in keeping with the principles of the Islamic faith for men to make those type of remarks. ELIJAH agreed to this. ELIJAH commented his speech was going on at the same time in Los Angeles and MALCOLM's did not correspond with ELIJAH's speech, and yet MALCOLM knew of ELIJAH's speech. They were just poles apart, and ELIJAH said "You just have to whip a child when he gets out of line, and that's all there is to it; and that is all he is getting, just a whipping for getting out of line." b7c

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~~b7c~~ [REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and said it came out very good yesterday and what ELIJAH had done was a stroke of genius. He said ELIJAH was absolutely right and it took real courage to do it. [REDACTED] said there was an altogether different reaction there and this was with the world. He stated he hoped other people would appreciate it; whereupon ELIJAH said it may take some time and would have to grow on them. ELIJAH said the wise look after tomorrow. [REDACTED] stated he thought this thing had moved the entire group up to a higher level. He said the New York Times had a story he would send to ELIJAH. [REDACTED] added that [REDACTED] contacted him to thank ELIJAH personally, and [REDACTED] said he was meeting with the President that day and this makes it all the better. When he met with the President, [REDACTED] said he would point the thing out to him. [REDACTED] continued stating he thanked God he had this behind him when he went to meet the President. [REDACTED] pointed out that the President knows [REDACTED] is a friend of ELIJAH's. ELIJAH commented this (MALCOLM's talk) was just baby language and it just didn't fit and it could hurt the parent. He said so

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give the baby a little spanking sometimes and it will make the baby speak grown-up language. ELIJAH said grown-up language is respected, but baby language is not. [REDACTED] spoke to ELIJAH about the front page of the paper (MUHAMMAD Speaks).

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[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and went over with him about an article which stated "From the death of ABRAHAM LINCOLN to the assassination of President KENNEDY, it proves that on each side of the occasions where outlaws overrule legal authority, it is in the case of Presidents who opened their mouths and said something favorable for the so-called Negro. I am not saying this was the reason President KENNEDY was assassinated, but it seems very strange that every President said something favorable for the so-called Negro pays for it with his life. We can also substantiate this by the fact that any Negro who wants to lead the so-called Negro to a better life and towards true peace, freedom, justice and equality which he is entitled to enjoy is also subjected to some kind of assassinations or attempts at assassinations. I know these to be facts. There are some who seem not to want a true freedom and who will also speak unfavorable and plan unfavorable actions against those who dare to lead a true struggle for justice and equality.

"The tragic death of President KENNEDY should serve as a warning to all rulers and people of value, that value can't be trusted openly in the presence of thieves and robbers. There has never been a President elected to such a high office that had the heart of everyone for him and never was a king that had the people wholeheartedly with him regardless as to how good the king, the president, the prime minister, the spokesman for the king or president. There may be some people that don't like the high officials holding the top office of the nation. I do think that they should be well protected and all precautionary steps to insure such persons' safety to be taken. Riding in open cars or walking openly in the public is a risk to be taken by anyone leading such high office, especially when they are political officials, through spiritual teachers, through spiritually teachers such as prophets of God and

messengers their lives haven't been spared in the public according to recorded history of the lives of these characters. There are both friends and enemies of public servants and we must be aware of them. Such outlaw actions permitted in America is a disgrace and shame to a Government and people who are recognized as world leaders and examples of what others should do in the way of friendship and cooperation.

"With the great scientifically advancement that America has made, it does not seem possible in this modern time that such tragic that took on the 22nd of November should have happened. Since this is a long ways from the assassination of President MCKINLEY, there is 62 years between the two assassinations of the Presidents of the United States of America and with such great advancement in science of protection, these things shouldn't ever happen. Again it shows to the world that the Government of America and people are actually given to such outlaw and violent actions. To take human lives at well disregarding their own legal law against such action makes the country to be classified as a country or government of outlaw where people have no safety of their lives under the law that claims to safeguard the lives of human beings. Mr. MALCOLM has been and is still a great worker in the minister of ours. He has been dismissed indefinitely from public speaking. We can't ignore our policy and therefore when one isn't in step with our policies, they must suffer some kind chastising or knowing and neglecting the knowledge that one have of the policy of good and protection. I don't classify Minister MALCOLM as a hypocrite for he is no such man according to his work, but I do say we all must be reminded of anything that isn't in accordance with our policy."

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[redacted] pointed out that this was what ELIJAH had given him the previous day, and he asked ELIJAH about a headline. ELIJAH agreed that a picture of himself and President KENNEDY could be used on the front page of the newspaper (MUHAMMAD Speaks).

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[redacted] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and asked ELIJAH if he was familiar with an article in the

December 5, 1963 New York Post. ELIJAH stated he was not, whereupon [REDACTED] said it stated in the article that the Muslim movement faces a split over the suspension of Minister MALCOLM. The article was written by TED POSTEN and went on to state that there was a rivalry between RAYMOND SHARIEFF and Minister MALCOLM X for control of the Muslims. [REDACTED] inquired of ELIJAH if he had any comments on it and ELIJAH said he didn't know anything about it. [REDACTED] asked if he thought the newspaper was in error, and ELIJAH stated there was no such thing as a split or breaking up between them. ELIJAH added that Minister MALCOLM had been suspended indefinitely from public speaking but not completely out of the labor of Islam. ELIJAH was asked if this included conducting services in the temple and ELIJAH stated it did. [REDACTED] stated the article by POSTEN said there was a possibility that the suspension came from younger Muslims in Chicago, but ELIJAH said it came from him. [REDACTED] also stated there was speculation around New York City that ELIJAH called Mr. KENNEDY "our President" and said the Muslim movement was saddened by his death. [REDACTED] said there was speculation that this was a softer line than from what ELIJAH said "certainly he was our President as well as everyone else". ELIJAH stated when a man is elected President, he is the President of all that's under the American flag and we are no exception. [REDACTED] said that from his own listening to Muslim Ministers in New York, they have always said in no uncertain terms that all white people were "devils" and there was no getting along with them. ELIJAH said "that don't mean that we are not under the President's own rule and authorities--we are under his rule and authorities." b7c

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[REDACTED] believed Chicago, Illinois) was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, and stated he was putting a story together on MALCOLM X's suspension and there were things he could not seem to reconcile in his mind. He said first he could not understand ELIJAH's actions since ELIJAH was opposed to the whites and yet has chastised MALCOLM for his statement. ELIJAH commented Minister MALCOLM had not been cast out of the ministry

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but only deprived of speaking in public for the present time. He said Minister MALCOLM had ignored orders and it was not in keeping with their policies. [REDACTED] said ELIJAH's policy has been to oppose the whites and it was hard for [REDACTED] to understand since MALCOLM's statement was about the death of a white. ELIJAH said they had to go by certain rules. [REDACTED] mentioned there were rumors about a split and ELIJAH said there was nothing to it. ELIJAH said Minister MALCOLM and he are still brothers. [REDACTED] asked about MALCOLM being shifted to make room for someone else and if anyone else had taken over the speech making MALCOLM normally did. ELIJAH said it is yet to be determined. He said it was routine--where one can serve best he is put there. He stated he hoped such rumors didn't get too far out of hand, and that "MALCOLM and I is not split by no means. We are still brothers and I still think MALCOLM is a wonderful worker of mine. But the way I say, we have rules; we must obey them." ELIJAH stated no other shifts had taken place. b7c

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MALCOLM X was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and commented that his family was fine and that his wife (MALCOLM's) was expecting again. ELIJAH told MALCOLM he did need some rest. ELIJAH asked if the laborers had received the letter and MALCOLM said he thought one may have come last night. He said he didn't receive it and he wasn't out. ELIJAH said he had a copy of the letter and was going to send one to MALCOLM, to keep for himself. MALCOLM said Brother WALTER was there and he didn't read a letter but Brother JOSEPH read one last night. MALCOLM stated he had no knowledge of it as he had not been out that day at all. ELIJAH told MALCOLM to see the secretary and he would tell MALCOLM. ELIJAH said he would talk to MALCOLM whenever he sees him and he would be sending for MALCOLM sometime soon. MALCOLM stated Brother LOUIS was going to teach the next day (12/8/63) and MALCOLM was going to ask Dr. LONNIE (CROSS) to teach the next Sunday. ELIJAH said that would be fine. He told MALCOLM to get a rest and around about the first he may see him. He told MALCOLM it was very nice of what MALCOLM had said which was written in the Times (New York Times) and other papers there. ELIJAH said if they had the whole 17 million

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willing to confess, they could all go home tomorrow. He said the main thing was that the public would love it-- that in Islam it makes them true brothers and they have true unity. He said they do not act like the Christians seeking revenge and so forth. ELIJAH said Islam makes them all wiser. MALCOLM agreed and stated he understood. ELIJAH thanked MALCOLM for giving the public a very good-- (possibly) statement. ELIJAH told MALCOLM a little rest would give MALCOLM time to get caught up on some things.

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b7C [REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and told him that they had been given good coverage on the incident and it was favorable for them. He mentioned everyone agreed with what ELIJAH had done, and the reaction was good. ELIJAH said he thought that it would help him.

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MEMORANDUM

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[REDACTED] reliable, made available the following  
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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, MALCOLM LITTLE, [REDACTED]  
and another individual (believed to be [REDACTED] were in  
a conversation at which time ELIJAH gave a long religious  
talk using many parables. ELIJAH told of the great power of  
Allah and how he has followed everything Allah has told him.  
He mentioned how Allah has let him know in advance of many  
things. ELIJAH told them that he is just a man as the  
rest of them with a message from Allah. He said the people  
make a great man such as he is now. He stated if his people  
understand his mission as well as the devils do everything  
would be all right. ELIJAH mentioned the President's assassin-  
ation and MALCOLM's New York speech. He said he feels Allah  
when everything is right and he knows this is good. He talked  
about Moses, Jesus and so forth. He mentioned about after he  
put MALCOLM down from public speaking how the devils had  
called hinting there was a split between ELIJAH and MALCOLM,  
and ELIJAH told them there was not. ELIJAH told how he helped

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MALCOLM in his statements to the press when MALCOLM first started speaking in Harlem. He said he had been hearing about MALCOLM this and MALCOLM that and even MALCOLM being called leader. ELIJAH said now this one and that one is getting jealous. He told MALCOLM that MALCOLM was ELIJAH's property and ELIJAH was MALCOLM's property to which MALCOLM agreed. He told MALCOLM he had made an error. MALCOLM stated he had asked permission in a letter before he said anything and he understood it was all right. ELIJAH stated he certainly didn't say any such thing. ELIJAH said he could not understand why MALCOLM took this poison and poured it out and told them it was poison. He told MALCOLM that one cannot use fire to fight fire. He said all of the time MALCOLM had been referring to something else and ELIJAH thought he had a sly scheme or shrewd plan but not this time. ELIJAH stated we can't organize the man. He said if anyone had told him that MALCOLM was going to use things like that he would not have believed it. He told MALCOLM if he loved Allah then he must love ELIJAH as the messenger of Allah. MALCOLM stated he would rather be dead than to say anything against ELIJAH. MALCOLM said he didn't say anything to anyone about ELIJAH and had been using parables to speak. ELIJAH asked MALCOLM how could ISAIAH (ARRIEM), LONNIE (CROSS), and JOSEPH (Captain JOSEPH), have gotten the wrong impression from what MALCOLM had said. ELIJAH stated they all wrote to him and said about the same thing. He told MALCOLM he could not walk through the woods with fire in his hand and not start a fire. He said one must carry a bucket of water and not fire.

ELIJAH stated he had to speak out on KENNEDY's death as the whole nation would have been against them. MALCOLM agreed. ELIJAH mentioned even some of the sympathetic devils were outraged at MALCOLM's statement.

ELIJAH asked MALCOLM why MALCOLM had been checking into ELIJAH's personal affairs with [REDACTED] (Believed to be [REDACTED]) MALCOLM stated that he had not asked anything about this but had heard it in Chicago. MALCOLM said he talked to [REDACTED] about it and he already knew it. MALCOLM said he noticed the people in Chicago were very cold to ELIJAH's family in Chicago on Saviour's Day. (Apparently referring to February, 1963.) MALCOLM said

WALLACE asked him to eat with him that night and brought the matter up. WALLACE told him (MALCOLM) about it and he, MALCOLM, acted as if he knew nothing about it. MALCOLM said [REDACTED] had stated a lost-found sister in Boston had said the FBI had asked her about it, and told her that [REDACTED] had a child by ELIJAH. MALCOLM mentioned [REDACTED] in Boston who planned on marrying a brother there and she told him, the person she planned on marrying, about this. This brother told [REDACTED] who called and told [REDACTED] in New York. MALCOLM stated he called [REDACTED] back (apparently in Boston) and told him he had put pressure on the sister and made her say these things which she did not mean. MALCOLM said he told [REDACTED] to drop it and that he, MALCOLM, never discussed it with anyone else. ELIJAH told MALCOLM he could not prove any of this. MALCOLM said he thought ELIJAH had tried to tell MALCOLM of this one time in Phoenix. MALCOLM mentioned ELIJAH asked him what he, MALCOLM, thought of [REDACTED] and that MALCOLM changed the subject because he was afraid to hear it. MALCOLM said he told [REDACTED] he thought it would be a good idea to tell some of their trusted people so they would be in a receptive spirit if they heard of it from any of the people and could handle the matter. MALCOLM told [REDACTED] he was going to write ELIJAH and tell what [REDACTED] reaction would be and he hoped ELIJAH would allow MALCOLM to tell others who would understand it to [REDACTED] ELIJAH spoke about how some people have said that he and CLARA are separated but that they are not. ELIJAH said he cannot stay in Chicago because of the pressure on him all of the time and because of the weather. He said one of them must stay there all of the time so she stays there in Chicago and ELIJAH lives in Phoenix because of the good weather.

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ELIJAH stated there had been rumors about [REDACTED] and himself. He said the reason he keeps her here all the time is he does not have anyone who is as patient and who is as well qualified.

MALCOLM said [REDACTED] told him (MALCOLM) that ELIJAH

had called him and stated that MALCOLM had been meddling in family matters. ELIJAH said [REDACTED] lied and that ELIJAH called to tell the family not to go to MALCOLM with their troubles but to come to ELIJAH with them. ELIJAH said he did not charge <sup>family</sup> MALCOLM with this but had charged his family with carrying/matters to outsiders. ELIJAH mentioned an article from Los Angeles (believed referring to HEROLD - Dispatch Newspaper) which stated that MALCOLM ruled the fence and had power over ELIJAH's family and ELIJAH did not like such stories. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ELIJAH told MALCOLM he should have put out this fire [REDACTED] in Chicago rather than to start it up in other places. ELIJAH mentioned Allah was [REDACTED] now and it looks as if he is losing his mind. ELIJAH stated he had learned [REDACTED] was the one. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ELIJAH told MALCOLM he should have been able to withstand this temptation [REDACTED] threw at him as he just came from talking to ELIJAH. MALCOLM said he should have come to ELIJAH at once but did not and it was his mistake and weakness because he did not go along with what [REDACTED] had said. MALCOLM stated he was going to tell ELIJAH in Chicago the last time he was there but had the matter on his mind about his speech in New York City. MALCOLM stated since he has been a Muslim he has always told ELIJAH what he has heard up until this past year, after Saviour's Day. MALCOLM said that is what hurt him and that he didn't tell ELIJAH and should have done so. b7C

MALCOLM stated he had lost much of his drive since he had listened to [REDACTED] and this must have been the reason. MALCOLM said he said to himself how could [REDACTED] be talking like this or have these ideas and still be teaching in the University (University of Islam). MALCOLM said that [REDACTED] had mentioned several of ELIJAH's personal problems and he told MALCOLM that ELIJAH was not even interested in correcting anything or solving anything or even making progress. He [REDACTED] spoke against ELIJAH. MALCOLM commented that he felt better right now than he had in a year.

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ELIJAH stated he knew all of his family are not angels and that he has enemies in it. He told of how Allah helps make people strong if they believe and he used JOHN (ALI) as an example. [REDACTED] mentioned he had only heard the rumors about [REDACTED] this week from a laborer. MALCOLM said he had never heard anything about Captain SHARRIEFF to show he has any doubts. He has only shown the strongest faith. ELIJAH told [REDACTED] to announce that [REDACTED]

ELIJAH told [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ELIJAH mentioned he wanted to clear himself with Allah of this matter and said if he ever left the teachings of Allah the people should not follow him but should follow Allah.

ELIJAH mentioned how he had helped MALCOLM since he was released from prison and how he has been receiving \$1,000 per month from ELIJAH. MALCOLM mentioned he had benefited by what has happened and he prayed to Allah that he would be forgiven for what he did and has said. ELIJAH said that MALCOLM was being suspended for an indefinite time and that he, ELIJAH, would watch MALCOLM to see if he becomes stronger.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with unknown man (believed to be either [REDACTED] and he mentioned CLARA. The unknown man said that CLARA had been telling that ELIJAH should be back there with her. There was also mention about ELIJAH buying maternity clothes for some women and ELIJAH stated that he had bought the clothes but that did not prove anything. ELIJAH went on to say that these young girls get fanciful ideas.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with [REDACTED] and talked about MALCOLM. He said MALCOLM was starting to cry now that he, ELIJAH, was getting hard on him. ELIJAH said he was not through with MALCOLM yet.

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He stated MALCOLM admitted he was against ELIJAH. ELIJAH said he told MALCOLM the only way to show good faith was to go right back and tell these same people that he, MALCOLM, had just heard all this and it was only hearsay and MALCOLM had no right to say it. ELIJAH stated he was going to let MALCOLM clean up his own mess. He mentioned something about MALCOLM taking some of his (ELIJAH's) stationery. ELIJAH said to tell JOSEPH (Captain JOSEPH) that he, ELIJAH, wanted JOSEPH to take over and mentioned no minister would stand up unless ELIJAH said so. ELIJAH mentioned that if CLARA lived in Phoenix with him there would be nobody to stay back in Chicago with the house. ELIJAH told [REDACTED] if anybody came around asking anything to just keep his mouth shut. He said to tell WALLACE what MALCOLM had said and that ELIJAH is very much upset in hearing WALLACE does not actually believe. He said to also tell WALLACE MALCOLM put everything on him - all information together. ELIJAH said "Let my son know that".

1/4/64

An unknown man was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD [REDACTED] and told him that MALCOLM was looking for "self-grandishment" (PH) but they cannot tolerate this. The unknown man stated he saw it and sat and watched it but was not a part of it. He said LUCIUS had said ELIJAH was a religious teacher but not a leader. ELIJAH stated he thought MALCOLM needed to be taught, he is a young man. The unknown man said MALCOLM had made the statement (supposedly after he was suspended from speaking) that he would return stronger than ever before. The unknown man said he did not think that even the Muslims in New York would even go along with this, as they believe that ELIJAH had authorized MALCOLM to speak and that is why they do not oppose him. ELIJAH commented he had been watching this come for a long time. He mentioned the little brother in Boston and how he thought he had been convinced now that MALCOLM had been put down.

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *W. C. Sullivan*

FROM : Mr. J. A. Sizor *J. A. Sizor*

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

DATE: 1-23-64

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NEW YORK CITY  
TELEPHONE CALL

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The subject called at 9:27 p.m., 1-23-64, and spoke to Night Supervisor A. J. Decker, Domestic Intelligence Division. He was very agitated, emotionally upset and difficult to understand. The best Mr. Decker could get from the conversation was that [REDACTED] is apparently convinced that Elijah Muhammad, the head of the all Negro, antiwhite, semi-religious group Nation of Islam, committed a murder in Detroit, Michigan, in 1928 and has been avoiding justice until the present time. [REDACTED] seemed to be obsessed with this subject and indicated he has been in touch with the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, the House Committee on Un-American Activities, various members of Congress, and has written a lengthy letter in the past to the President.

Bureau files reveal that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He was interviewed by Agents of the New York Office 1-15-63 and 1-25-63 at which time he claimed to be in possession of information implicating Elijah Muhammad in at least five murders and information associating him with a Japanese espionage agent during World War II. During neither interview did [REDACTED] elaborate on these allegations. In view of his refusal to elaborate and in the absence of any information indicating that he is in possession of evidence of any violation of a Federal statute over which this Bureau has investigative jurisdiction, New York Office was instructed to have no further contact with [REDACTED]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971-38)

DATE: 1/27/64

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-93)

SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM  
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On 12/31/63 PX [REDACTED] reliable, made available  
the following information:

b7C [REDACTED] of Baltimore was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD whereupon ELIJAH stated he had been hearing something that made him feel rotten. ELIJAH stated the man on the East Coast (Minister MALCOLM) had been telling [REDACTED] some rotten stuff. [REDACTED] stated yes he had and that he [REDACTED] wanted to tell ELIJAH about it. ELIJAH told him to be very careful about this poison, that MALCOLM was throwing out. He said MALCOLM was only out for "grandishment" (PH) and he had disobeyed orders. He stated that MALCOLM was with him face to face when ELIJAH got the news that Monday and ELIJAH told MALCOLM what he was going to do and now MALCOLM wants the people to think he, MALCOLM, can hit back and still carry some of the people with him. ELIJAH said he had been sick for the past two to three years but could still get 5,000 to 10,000 people to listen to him at any time. He mentioned MALCOLM had been all through the South and had not made one convert. He told [REDACTED] that he knew him pretty well and he was just warning him not to swallow any of this poison.

ELIJAH commented he was not trying to set up any political government. He asked if [REDACTED] had gotten a hold of this and [REDACTED] said yes that MALCOLM had told [REDACTED] the same thing. ELIJAH told [REDACTED] to tell [REDACTED] that this man is not going to be in authority long. He said what was so bad was that MALCOLM did all this and told the

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(1 - 100-6989)
- 2 - Baltimore [REDACTED]  
(1 - 100- [REDACTED])
- 3 - New York (105-7809) (RM)  
(1 - 105-8999) (MALCOLM LITTLE)  
(1 - 100- [REDACTED])
- 2 - WFO [REDACTED]  
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- 2 - Phoenix (105-932) [REDACTED]

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people that ELIJAH himself had told him to tell them. ELIJAH said the captain (believed referring to [REDACTED] in New York City) was 100% against it too. ELIJAH stated he told the Captain to be careful as there are some out there that are so dangerous. ELIJAH said he heard these rumors about what was going on and what should be done so to be very careful. ELIJAH stated any laborer or minister that takes any of this poison shall be removed at once. He said to tell [REDACTED] he wanted to see him next week. ELIJAH said he would not let a man like that (MALCOLM) mess him up with 20 million people. b7C

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MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971-38)

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-93)

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DATE: 1/27/64

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[REDACTED], reliable, made available the following information on the dates designated:

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with an unknown minister [REDACTED] whereupon the unknown minister said he had just returned from Philadelphia and had talked to [REDACTED] there. ELIJAH stated he was contacting the unknown minister to notify him that the unknown minister's old friend (believed referring to MALCOLM LITTLE) was spreading poison everywhere and he should be very careful to try and judge between Allah and his messenger and this person to see which one he would rather get along with. ELIJAH stated he was going to search the organization and find out who is with him (believed referring to MALCOLM X) and whcever is with him ELIJAH was going to send them all together. The unknown minister told ELIJAH he was with ELIJAH. ELIJAH said he (believed referring to MALCOLM) is turning out just the way he thought he would. He said he did not think he would ever be able to take a spanking. He said the unknown man (MALCOLM) has too much of the people in mind and not enough of Allah. He said everywhere the unknown man went he wanted to be idolized as the boss and ELIJAH said "I saw that in him a long time ago and I didn't think he would be able to stand any joy at all." He said the unknown man never condoned anything unless he had a part in

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(1 - 105-8999) (MALCOLM LITTLE)  
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it (referring to MALCOLM). He said the unknown man let their paper pile up there until he had 25 to 30,000. He said the unknown man did this because he wanted to be head of the paper and have it in New York. ELIJAH said they were not in a political campaign but in divine work. He said he had been watching this unknown man's (MALCOLM) actions for a long time. ELIJAH stated they have no time to run around and play games with the world and that they are guided by Allah and not political machines. He said the unknown man wanted to stay around college and university people and he began to lose the spirit. In referring to MALCOLM ELIJAH stated all of MALCOLM's speeches at the colleges did not make one convert and he did not make many where he went outside of Harlem. He said even in Philadelphia he did not do anything there. He stated in referring to MALCOLM that his whole work in Harlem had been to criticize someone else and saying what he wanted to do on working on some political figure. ELIJAH said this was not the kind of teacher he wants. He said he had heard all of the unknown man's (MALCOLM's) talking, telling the people and ELIJAH said "What kind of a fool would I be to go out to tell him to tell people something like that on me".

The unknown minister said in referring to MALCOLM that MALCOLM did not come to him with it and didn't say anything. ELIJAH asked if the unknown man (MALCOLM) had gotten to the one in Washington and the unknown minister said yes and the one in Washington was all torn up and just could not figure it out in his own mind. The unknown minister said the unknown man (MALCOLM) also talked it over with [redacted] who seemed to go along with it. ELIJAH told the unknown minister that whenever he, (the unknown minister) is able that he, ELIJAH, was going to remove this fellow (MALCOLM) completely now because he did not take a trial at all. He told the unknown minister to look over the section. ELIJAH stated he hoped to see the man (MALCOLM) face to face within the next 24 hours. He said he was going to strip him of everything. The unknown minister stated he would be more than happy to handle it (referring to New York City). ELIJAH stated he was going to tell the unknown man (MALCOLM) not to invite anyone there to talk at his place. The unknown minister asked if ELIJAH wanted him to go to New York

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and ELIJAH stated yes when he takes the unknown man (MALCOLM) completely off the list. He asked the unknown minister to see ELIJAH first. ELIJAH stated he would probably lose a million and yet win. He said he hated to see a man get up the ladder and then fall backwards. The unknown minister stated no matter what he had heard he was with ELIJAH. ELIJAH said the best thing was to turn to Allah and he would let them know who was who. ELIJAH said to be careful of these things as he would not have any mercy on those he finds taking sides with the unknown man (MALCOLM). He said to warn the people and the unknown minister said he thought he could talk to them.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with [REDACTED] and said he was contacting him concerning the school (No. 12 Philadelphia). He wanted to know what was wrong with it that the secretary wanted it closed. [REDACTED] said he did not know anything about it and ELIJAH said he received a letter from there this morning and that the secretary ordered the sign to be taken down. ELIJAH mentioned [REDACTED] and stated something about some rotten things being said there. He mentioned 300 people in Philadelphia have been converted and accepted. He said the person is getting the people and it did not matter how he did it but the main thing was to get the people together. [REDACTED] stated he did not know anything about it and ELIJAH said he was not charging [REDACTED] with anything but just relating it to him. ELIJAH stated he wanted [REDACTED] to bring him (referring to MALCOLM) along with him and come out the next day if possible. He said that he had not changed anything with the other one - referring to the main one (MALCOLM). ELIJAH said the unknown minister (believed referring to Philadelphia) claimed the people were all happy and satisfied whereupon [REDACTED] stated he had a different report and that the people were 100% dissatisfied. ELIJAH said if this was true how does he stay there and continue to attract people. He said some bring in more than others and others get jealous. ELIJAH stated he did not want him (Minister in Philadelphia) to see ELIJAH before the other one (MALCOLM). ELIJAH told [REDACTED] to relay a message to [REDACTED] to tell the minister there that ELIJAH does not want the sign

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taken down. He said he did not understand why people do these things without consulting him. He told [REDACTED] to be in Phoenix on 1/2/64. The unknown minister in Philadelphia has a new telephone number [REDACTED] b7c

1/4/64

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD attempted to contact a [REDACTED] ELIJAH contacted [REDACTED] and told her to tell Brother Captain that ELIJAH said the old minister has no more authorities to run the temple there and that he (MALCOLM) has been taken off that part now indefinitely. He said to tell [REDACTED] to go ahead with his wife there as usual and that ELIJAH was putting Minister JAMES of Newark over the ministry there until they see the reactions of the brother while he is on a trial test. He said to tell him (MALCOLM) that he has nothing now to do and that all of the ministers, everyone who has anything to do with the pulpit, will be after tomorrow (1/5/64) under Minister JAMES. ELIJAH said to tell Brother Captain that he, ELIJAH, looked forward to Brother Captain carrying out his Captainship as usual.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with an unknown woman, (possibly [REDACTED]), and he asked if they had spoken to her about going to school. She stated they had but she wanted to talk to him and see if they really meant it. ELIJAH stated that he did and would take care of all the expenses. He said he had been very sick and he had decided he would do something for "them" to give them a future after he is gone. He mentioned EVELYN was also going to start. He told her to make all the plans to attend and then write him about it, of any questions that might arise. He told her not to tell anyone about this.

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[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and said he had talked to those people and all of them seemed to be raring to go. ELIJAH stated they had told him some time ago they would be willing. [REDACTED] said they don't think any-

one would back them up and this is the main thing they are concerned with. He said they all talk the same way. ELIJAH said one of them had sent him a telegram and he had told them that yes it was the truth and they said they were real happy. ELIJAH said they would like to get in school and make a new go. ELIJAH stated he told them he would help them and [REDACTED] said the one in the nest out South - they are all packed now ready to go. He said they were a little disappointed with the stamps on the envelope. ELIJAH said he knew that they were. [REDACTED] stated they had said the others were doubled and ELIJAH said they had been cheated a little bit. He said they stopped paying the rent and ELIJAH told them he would get even. [REDACTED] said the one most disagreeable he heard from this morning. He said they are ready to go now and talking about far away.. He said they are ready to do business right now. ELIJAH said that was why the double stamps. [REDACTED] stated one is planning to go far away - out of the country - to the 49th State. ELIJAH said it didn't make any difference even if they go to the Fiji Islands. [REDACTED] said they were not going to make a move until everything is down. He said they want 7980 to make this move (believed referring to \$7,980). He said this will be for good and ELIJAH said no that you could not trust them. He said they would be all right if it was for good but you can't tell. ELIJAH stated to tell them they have to talk to ELIJAH. [REDACTED] said the amount was 2980 (\$2,980) more than ELIJAH suggested at first. ELIJAH said they want 7 and 5 is enough. [REDACTED] stated they said if they continue to get along as well as they are now, that it will be sufficient. ELIJAH said you never know what you are going to run into. He said you would have to see the situation first and that is not a great amount for a long duration. He said to let them be sure they have found the nest first and that which they have now is to be used first. He said if they find the nest first, then maybe something for a long time would come up.

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[REDACTED] stated the one in the nest said she cannot move as that was not enough to do anything with. ELIJAH asked if he was talking about the little one and [REDACTED] said yes. ELIJAH stated that is the one for April and [REDACTED] said no not that one but the one in the big house. ELIJAH said he was

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not particular about them. He said tell them that (amount) was for them to go and find with.

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[redacted] asked ELIJAH if he knew what JOSEPH went over and got from - and ELIJAH said he knew what JOSEPH was supposed to get - 21 something. [redacted] said they got it and JOSEPH wanted someone to come out and check it to be sure everything was right. ELIJAH said he told JOHN (ALI) yesterday that he could get a cashier's check to do that. ELIJAH said JOSEPH could make out one and send it in to [redacted]. Then there was no need for anyone to go.

ELIJAH said they could if they wanted to and suggested JOHN to see that the record is straight. ELIJAH asked how everything went Sunday at #7 and [redacted] said fine and that he learned/the big man has any with him, it is just a very few. ELIJAH said he believed it. ELIJAH stated he looked at ALEXANDER's paper (believed to refer to Los Angeles) and she had turned the guns on him now (MALCOLM). ELIJAH said she did not think too much of him (MALCOLM) anyway. She said that MALCOLM had too much authority in the first place and she was right. ELIJAH stated no one should ever have the authorities he had, being able to dismiss ministers and so forth. ELIJAH said they could thank Allah that they are on the road to better success. He said he heard from the other one in #4 and he gave ELIJAH a nice intelligent letter. [redacted] stated he heard something about #6 and the head man there and ELIJAH stated he was thinking about him this morning. [redacted] stated that after the man from #7 (MALCOLM) had talked to the one in #6 the first time, the man in #6 had made the remarks "Yes I kind of think that's so because I saw them (meaning the biddies) and it looked just like him". ELIJAH said they had better close his eyes. He said anybody that has any leaning to him (MALCOLM) will be taken off their post immediately and to tell them that. He said to tell JOSEPH in #7 anyone in that direction he wanted them out.

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[redacted] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated that [redacted] would arrive in Phoenix at

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1:10 PM TWA on 1/9/64. ELIJAH jumped on [REDACTED] for taking someone with him on an errand for ELIJAH and ELIJAH asked "Why did you take her with you?" [REDACTED] stated he wanted to have somebody and ELIJAH said that was why he told him to go alone. ELIJAH said "I didn't want anyone to know anything but you". He told [REDACTED] he should have asked ELIJAH if it would be all right because there are a lot of false charges made. He said he could have done it alone so perfect. [REDACTED] stated he just did not want any false reports and ELIJAH told [REDACTED] he should never take anyone again unless ELIJAH okays it. ELIJAH stated it would have never happened. He said [REDACTED] could have made a phone call and had a certain point and would not have had to get out of the car. ELIJAH asked [REDACTED] if he gave JOHN the news. [REDACTED] said JOHN was back there now and should be back (in Chicago) that evening or the next day. ELIJAH stated there had come to him much information from his source - trying to put some salve on the sore and from her to, out East, pleading for herself and wants to come directly.

[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated she would stay one week and he told her to have [REDACTED] come with her and to be prepared for two weeks.

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[REDACTED] was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and stated that [REDACTED] would not be in Phoenix [REDACTED] He said [REDACTED] would arrive in Phoenix that evening. [REDACTED] would not be coming out to Phoenix as she was going to help take care of the baby. b7C

ELIJAH said to [REDACTED] "You know the bird that was here - that he was talking to" (referring to MALCOLM) and that he had sent ELIJAH a two hour tape recording. ELIJAH said "he (MALCOLM) certainly went down on everything". [REDACTED] asked if it was the one that was there when they were there (referring to [REDACTED])

JOHN ALI, and MALCOLM) whereupon ELIJAH said yes. ELIJAH stated that he, ELIJAH, was certainly surprised at him (referring to the tape sent by MALCOLM). ELIJAH said that he (MALCOLM) goes and comes and looks like sometimes he speaks nice and good and other times he is altogether different - he can't understand himself. [REDACTED] stated the reason WALLACE had not been out was because he had been unable to get permission from his parole officer. ELIJAH said he was not particular, "I'm so disgusted now, I'm not particular now." ELIJAH said this took place in November and what he said in November "I don't understand. I'm just digested Brother to tell you the truth". ELIJAH continued by stating "I didn't know the whole outfit was like that - I didn't know things were that bad and you [REDACTED] should have some knowledge of some of it." ELIJAH said he, (MALCOLM), claims he prays if he is successful he will do anything to get off - he will do anything in the nation (MO) and all he wants to do is to be in the faith of Allah and himself now. ELIJAH said that he (MALCOLM) stated it was all his mistake and this particular person caused it the last November. He said it was when they went out to meet at the airport and he said that was when it was. He (MALCOLM) claimed he was surprised and went away disgusted and said he did not do the right thing and that Allah now was punishing him for it. ELIJAH said that he (MALCOLM) claimed he began to lose the spirit after listening to this particular person. He (MALCOLM) has said he feels better and more wide awake than ever since he has been in Islam. He (MALCOLM) said this is a lesson for him and not to listen to anyone but ELIJAH. ELIJAH commented "I will listen to both of them whenever his time is up".

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-24822)

DATE: February 3, 1964

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-6989)

Attn: Cryptanalysis,  
Translation Section

SUBJECT: ELIJAH POOLE, aka  
IS - NOI  
(OO: CHICAGO)

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Enclosed for the Bureau are five Xeroxed copies of the following "diplomas" issued to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, which is the name captioned individual is commonly known by:

1. Diploma dated November 5, 1963, at Paris.
2. Diploma issued in Bolivia on unreadable date in November, 1963.
3. Diploma dated March 17, 1963, at Trieste.
4. Diploma dated December 3, 1963, at Paris, captioned "Concours Litteraire 1963".
5. Diploma dated December 3, 1963, at Paris, captioned "Concours Litteraire 1963".

It is requested that the above listed enclosed copies be translated and the transcription thereof be provided the Chicago Office for possible inclusion in the next semi-annual report in this matter. The enclosed copies need not be returned to Chicago.

The Bureau is advised that by enclosures to letter dated January 22, 1964, the New York Office provided Chicago with five photostat copies of the above. They are retained in Chicago file 100-6989-1A14. The New York letter stated as follows:

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By letter dated January 9, 1964, [REDACTED] Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Treasury Department, Bureau of Customs, New York, New York, furnished the enclosed five diplomas. [REDACTED] stated that those diplomas had been presented to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD by a [REDACTED]

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February 25, 1964

Director, FBI (105-24822)-132

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Attached is the translation which you requested by letter  
dated 2/3/64

The contents thereof, where pertinent, must be reported under appropriate captions and afforded whatever investigative attention is necessary.

Disposition of the foreign language material submitted in this connection is set forth below:

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TRANSLATION FROM ESPERANTO

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Honorary Academician

Diploma

To Dr. Elijah Muhammad

(signed illegible)  
Secretary General

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Honorary President

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Triest, March 17, 1963.

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Institute of American Culture

The Bolivian Committee of the Institute of American Culture  
awards this

HONOR DIPLOMA

to Mr. Dr. Elijah Muhammad  
with all the rights, privileges and honors of his status.

Given at Cochabamba, Bolivia, November 7, 1963.

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1963 Literary Contest

**DIPLOMA**

**Prize of French Algeria**

**Founded by Lucien Delarue**

**PRIZE**

**awarded to Mr. Dr. Elijah Muhammad**

**for** **Writer**

**Paris, March 12, 1963**

**For the Jury:**

**Lucien Delarue**

**Member of the Society of French Poets  
and of the Society of the Men of Letters of France  
Founder of the International literary prize  
French Algeria  
Author, Composer of music**

**signed Lucien Delarue**

**✓ signed Dr. Dario A. Manon, Ht;  
President**

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For the Jury

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Society of French Poets

signed Dr. Dario A. Manon, Jr.  
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In view of the verdict of the Jury,

In view of the deliberation of the Academic Council

Award is made of a

**DIPLOMA**

of (sic) Dr. Elijah Muhammad

to Mr. (sic) Honneur (Honor)

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. W.C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. J.F. Bland

SUBJECT: ELIJAH MUHAMMAD  
INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

DATE: 2-7-64

- 1- Mr. Belmont
- 1- Mr. Mohr
- 1- Mr. Sullivan
- 1- Mr. DeLoach
- 1- Mr. Bland
- 1- [REDACTED]
- 1- [REDACTED]
- 1- [REDACTED]

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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Elijah Muhammad, the leader of the Black Muslim group, and his principal Lieutenant, Malcolm X Little, have been feuding since Muhammad silenced Little publicly and officially for making stupid and ill-timed remarks to the effect that the assassination of President Kennedy gave him (Little) pleasure. **b7c**

Little is probably the most dynamic and forceful Nation of Islam (NOI) spokesman in the movement and the attached memorandum, which is worded in most general terms, could possibly widen the rift between Muhammad and Little and possibly result in Little's expulsion from the NOI.

The information set forth in enclosed memorandum has been the subject of considerable discussion within the NOI and its disclosure will not prejudice our investigation or sources.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the enclosed memorandum be routed to Assistant Director DeLoach for his consideration. **K**

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February 10, 1964

The Rift Widens between Elijah Muhammad  
and his Principal Lieutenant Malcolm X Little

The rift between Elijah Muhammad, self-proclaimed Messenger of Allah and the leader of the fanatical Black Muslim hate group, and his erstwhile Lieutenant Malcolm X Little appears to be widening. Little was silenced officially and publicly by Muhammad a short while after President Kennedy's assassination inasmuch as Little had made stupid and ill-timed remarks to the effect that President Kennedy's death gave him pleasure.

Little has not taken this disciplinary action gracefully and he has attempted to develop sympathy and backing for his position among other leaders of the Black Muslims in various sections of the country. He evidently feels that Elijah Muhammad is in his declining years and that he is slipping. It is no secret that Little would not hesitate one moment to take over the leadership of the Nation of Islam (NOI) and incidentally begin living in the regal style which Elijah Muhammad enjoys. While Muhammad may be getting older, he is far from ready to hand over the reigns of the NOI and all the affluent service benefits that go with it to Little. Muhammad is reportedly fuming at the temerity Little has exhibited in questioning the "Messenger's" judgment and it would not surprise anyone at all familiar with the works of the NOI to see Little summarily expelled from this organization if he continues to buck the orders and wishes of Elijah Muhammad.

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See memorandum Bland to W.C. Sullivan, dated 2-7-64,  
captioned "Elijah Muhammad, Internal Security - NOI, [REDACTED] pag.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED MAIL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971-38) (105-24822)

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-93) (P)

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DATE 2/26/02 BY SP-4/lej/alm[REDACTED], reliable, made available the following  
information on the dates indicated:2/1/64 ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with [REDACTED]  
who stated that [REDACTED][REDACTED] was feeling pretty good  
and was sitting out in the sun. She said he was  
getting along slowly, although she could see some  
progress. She told ELIJAH she would like to see  
CLARA (CLARA MUHAMMAD, wife of ELIJAH), and ELIJAH  
stated maybe someday, but they could not leave the  
place there (Chicago) empty, and one of them either  
he or CLARA had to stay there all the time. [REDACTED]  
commented that [REDACTED] from Atlantic City,

4 - Bureau (25-330971-38)  
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2 - Newark [REDACTED]  
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New Jersey, had called her the previous evening and told her he would be in Chicago the Sunday before the meeting (believed referring to Savior's Day), and would see ELIJAH then. [REDACTED] also mentioned he hoped ELIJAH liked the pictures he sent. [REDACTED] commented she did not think she could make it (Savior's Day) this year, but thought [REDACTED]

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with an unknown woman in Chicago and mentioned that he tried to see her and take care of something when he was there, but did not have time. She said she did not know he was there until time for him to leave. He stated he wanted to talk to her as she had done something wrong. She said she had been working every day and he said maybe too much -- trying to help too much. ELIJAH said he would explain to her and would tell her later; and maybe he would see her next week. He told her he could not see why she wanted to get married when things were going so well. She said it would not be right away, and she would not do anything like that before discussing it with him. He mentioned he did not plan on anyone going to Chicago with him and then laughed about it.

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No information has been developed to date regarding any contemplated travel on the part of either of Elijah Muhammad's daughters to Jamaica, British West Indies. Muhammad has two daughters. The eldest is Ethel Sharrieff, nee Frances Lee Poole, who was born October 24, 1922, at Macon, Georgia. Sharrieff resides in Chicago, Illinois, and holds the position of Supreme Captain of the Muslim Girls Training. In effect she is the national leader of the women's division of the Nation of Islam.

Muhammad's other daughter is Lottie Fagin, nee Lottie May Poole, who was born January 3, 1925, at Detroit, Michigan. Fagin also resides in Chicago, Illinois, and has been extremely active in various positions of leadership in the Muslim Girls Training in recent years.

Appropriate sources are being alerted so that any information developed regarding contemplated travel on the part of Sharrieff and/or Fagin to Jamaica will be promptly forwarded to you.

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Both Sharrieff and Fagin, mentioned above, are Security Index subjects. Chicago has been instructed to alert appropriate sources so that any pertinent information regarding their travel plans will be promptly forwarded.

1- 105-69067 (Fagin)  
1- 100-436766 (Sharrieff)  
1- Foreign Liaison Unit

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appropriate sources so that any information regarding travel on the part of either or both of the above subjects will be promptly forwarded to the Bureau in a letterhead memorandum.

NOTE: Both subjects on Security Index.

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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (85-330971-38)  
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-93)  
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On 3/8/64, ██████████ reliable, made available  
the following information:

b7C ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, and mentioned that it would be some time  
before ██████████ would get into his new house  
and ██████████ was now cleaning the place up.

ELIJAH spoke about having received a letter from  
██████████ who said there was a big response over  
there about CLAY accepting Islam and ██████████ indicated the  
people there wanted ELIJAH as well as CLAY to come over.  
ELIJAH commented he would have to look at this a while to  
see about all the points. ELIJAH told ██████████ he (ELIJAH)  
would like to get to CLAY whereupon ██████████ said he (CLAY)  
would be in Chicago on Tuesday (3/10/64). ██████████ said he  
spoke to CLAY the previous day (3/7/64) and CLAY said he  
had received the invitation from them and that he would be  
leaving in about three weeks. ELIJAH commented that ██████████  
told ELIJAH to be sure and talk to CLAY before he left.  
ELIJAH said he wanted to get to CLAY as quick as possible  
and would rather see him in Chicago. ██████████ mentioned  
Pakistan and all these places. ELIJAH told ██████████ to  
keep an eye on CLAY and keep him among their people. ELIJAH  
said the other fellow in New York (MALCOLM LITTLE) has been

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(1 - 105-34822) (AMRM)  
2 - Chicago (100-35635)  
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2 - New York (100-142828)  
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nursing him (CLAY) like a baby. ELIJAH stated they have to watch these things and said CLAY does not know that he is a young fellow and has never been out of the country and does not know how to meet those people. ELIJAH told [redacted] to tell CLAY to not make any promises or plans with anyone until ELIJAH has a chance to talk to him and ELIJAH will give him the best advice. [redacted] mentioned that FLOYD PATTERSON had offered to fight CLAY free just to get the title back from the Muslims. ELIJAH commented that they (Muslims) are the winners and have a living God with them. [redacted] also mentioned they were adding four more pages to the paper this time (Muhammad Speaks). b7C

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AIR MAIL - REGISTERED MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330871-38)  
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (105-93)  
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On 3/9/64, [REDACTED], reliable, made available  
the following information:

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was in contact with [REDACTED] at which time [REDACTED] mentioned they had 980 people out at #7 Mosque and 400 at Brooklyn. The Long Island Mosque had about 120 out. [REDACTED] was believed referring to the meetings held on 3/8/64.) [REDACTED] commented that the attendance went up in all the mosques and the people stood up and said they were standing with ELIJAH regardless of circumstances. He stated Minister LOUIS taught at #7 on Sunday (3/8/64).  
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[REDACTED] spoke about the other situation and said that he (believed referring to MALCOLM LITTLE) has definitely given it to the news media and that MALCOLM was on the TV "Today" show. ELIJAH stated he could hardly believe it at first, but actually it turned out to be the truth. ELIJAH stated he had Brother PHILBERT (believed referring to PHILBERT LITTLE of #16, Lansing, Michigan) to contact him (MALCOLM) and PHILBERT said that he (MALCOLM) told him that he had not given up Islam. ELIJAH said he

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(1 - 105-24822) (1 - 100-MALCOLM LITTLE)  
1 - Boston (100-Minister LOUIS) (AMRM)  
2 - Chicago (100-38635) (100-6989) (AMRM)  
1 - Detroit (100-Minister PHILBERT LITTLE) (AMRM)  
4 - New York (100-Minister PHILBERT LITTLE) (AMRM)  
2 - Phoenix (105-931)

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wrote MALCOLM the previous week and told him that he (MALCOLM) is drunk over publicity and leadership. ELIJAH stated he did not intend to give him (MALCOLM) the place (#7) back, no matter what he did. ELIJAH stated if he did do so, MALCOLM would set up a crew 100 per cent for him (MALCOLM) and not with them in Chicago. ELIJAH said "he wants to oppose us." ELIJAH stated MALCOLM thinks he is smart, but he (ELIJAH) has too much experience. He said the man is in danger going to an organization he has been criticizing. He said "who is going to back him up?" ELIJAH said no one. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated the one who is working with MALCOLM is "MISHNAH" (phonetic). [REDACTED] stated when they all saw it in the paper, then they divided and they all want to be leaders. ELIJAH said MALCOLM would not be successful and he will come running back and ask to be forgiven. He said they will learn that Allah is with him (ELIJAH) and him alone. It will be a lesson for MALCOLM.

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ELIJAH inquired about MALCOLM's house as to who bought it and who was paying the mortgage. [REDACTED] stated the Nation (NOI) is paying the mortgage and that the house belongs to ELIJAH and the mosque put down \$5,000 and paid the note. [REDACTED] said the house is actually in the name of the mosque and even MALCOLM's car is also. ELIJAH told [REDACTED] to send a letter or have the secretary send one to MALCOLM and tell him he must give up the house. ELIJAH suggested the letter be signed by [REDACTED] as well as several others at the mosque. He said they should demand that MALCOLM vacate the house and give up everything he has that belongs to Islam. [REDACTED] stated the only records he knew of that MALCOLM has would be the incorporation papers for the mosque. ELIJAH said MALCOLM should be asked to give them up also. ELIJAH stated the letter directed to MALCOLM should be notarized and signed by six or seven of the Brothers. Upon speaking about the house that MALCOLM is living in, ELIJAH told [REDACTED] that he [REDACTED] could move into the house if it did not interfere with anything. He said if it did not hurt [REDACTED] businesswise to do so; it is a 7-room house and he [REDACTED] has four children. ELIJAH said [REDACTED] should not mention this until MALCOLM is out.

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ELIJAH asked about their advertising in the subways and [REDACTED] stated it is on every third car on the 7th Avenue Line, Lexington Avenue Line and the 8th Avenue Line. He said it was going good and it has been effective. He stated the papers are moving better also. ELIJAH told [REDACTED] to not let the Brothers sell papers around the court houses or police headquarters as it just agitates them and ELIJAH mentioned them doing this in Los Angeles. *b7C*

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DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971)

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SAC, CHICAGO (100-35635)

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Re Bureau letter to Chicago dated 3/17/64 instructing  
that [REDACTED]

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This is to advise that Chicago has complied with  
the above instructions. [REDACTED]  
Chicago was advised. [REDACTED]

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1 - 105-24822 (ELIJAH MUHAMMAD)  
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On 3/19/64 [REDACTED] reliable, made available  
the following information:

An unknown individual was in contact with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD at which time ELIJAH stated he (ELIJAH) wanted to show the people that they could have as much success without him (believed referring to MALCOLM LITTLE) with Allah. ELIJAH said it was when they thought that he ELIJAH was in Phoenix and about to die. ELIJAH told the unknown person that if he found anyone of the followers leaning in that direction to throw them out. He said he (MALCOLM) wanted to be top man and not #2. ELIJAH stated he knew he (MALCOLM) would get no where with him. ELIJAH said if he (MALCOLM) does not obey let him stay out there until he rots.

b7C [REDACTED]  
(ELIJAH MUHAMMAD believed in contact with [REDACTED]  
of Boston).

[REDACTED] ELIJAH MUHAMMAD commented to [REDACTED] that upon referring to MALCOLM, he ELIJAH referred to him as "that no good long-legged MALCOLM". ELIJAH said the only way to stop him was to get rid of him the way Moses and the others did their bad ones. ELIJAH said you have to make an example out of the bad ones. He stated when you try to be peaceful and nice and love them they just jump up and try to take over. ELIJAH said he (MALCOLM) would just be around all the time nagging the group now. ELIJAH stated that with these hypocrites, when you find them cut their heads off. ELIJAH said he had just been in contact with [REDACTED] about MALCOLM.

4 - Bureau (RM)  
(1 - 100-399321) (MALCOLM LITTLE)  
(1 - 105-24822) (ELIJAH MUHAMMAD)  
1 - Chicago (100-38635) (RM)  
1 - Boston  
1 - New York (105-3999) (MALCOLM LITTLE)  
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TO : Director, FBI (File 105-24822) DATE: 4-2-64

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (File 100-6989 )

SUBJECT: ELIJAH POOLE, aka  
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This case will be delinquent.

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April 2, 1964

ELIJAH POOLE  
INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

The Nation of Islam (NOI) is not designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450 and is characterized in later pages.

A confidential informant in late March, 1964, advised Elijah Muhammad was planning to take a vacation in Mexico. Muhammad wanted to go to a place where there would not be a lot of hustle and bustle and indicated he was going to be gone for two or three weeks, in possibly April or May of 1964. Muhammad stated he did not want to go to Central America but indicated he may consider the possibility of spending some time in the Dominican Republic and possibly in Colombia, South America. He stated he would need an interpreter and would be accompanied by some members of his staff.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and Phoenix are 9 and 2 copies respectively of a letterhead memorandum pertaining to a possible vacation trip by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD to Mexico, to the Dominican Republic, and to Colombia, South America.

The source utilized in the enclosed letterhead memorandum is 62

The letterhead memorandum is classified confidential because data contained therein could reasonably result in the identification of [REDACTED] and would compromise future effectiveness:

For the information of the Bureau, the following data received from 105-24822-135 is set forth so as to give a clearer picture to events surrounding the information set forth in letterhead memorandum.

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On March 30, 1964, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was told [REDACTED] in Phoenix, Arizona, after he had asked if "his professor had answered him from Mexico yet?", that an answer had been received and it should have been transmitted to Chicago by this time. MUHAMMAD was told that [REDACTED] was going to translate it. MUHAMMAD stated he was surprised the answer was in Chicago, adding he was anxious to have the reply as soon as possible.

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For the information of the Bureau, "Muhammad Speaks", Volume 2, No. 7, dated 12/30/62, on page 16, carries an article titled "College Graduate Weighs Muhammad Teachings" by ETHEL MINOR. In this article, ETHEL MINOR indicated she had attended meetings of Muhammad's Mosque No. 2 in Chicago and commented that she had heard ELIJAH MUHAMMAD speak at McCormick Place in 7/62. She stated "This was the beginning of a total reappraisal and re-estimate of myself, the problems we Negroes face here in America and the general goals sought long by the vast majority of our people".

[REDACTED] on April 1, 1963, advised that a [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] believed to be the same person, was in attendance at NOI meetings held by Muhammad's Temple No. 2 on 3/20 and 3/13/63 respectively. There has been no information developed from Chicago sources to the effect that ETHEL MINOR fits the criteria for active investigation as of this date.

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In view of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's instructions that [REDACTED] send everything to him in Phoenix regarding his trip to Mexico and his apparent contact in Mexico, the Phoenix Office is requested to alert its sources regarding further plans by MUHAMMAD to go out of the United States, and to advise the Bureau and Chicago of pertinent developments in communications suitable for dissemination.

Phoenix is also requested to review information available from its sources and attempt to determine the identity of "his professor" in Mexico. Any pertinent developments should be furnished to the Bureau and Chicago in appropriate communication.

APPENDIX

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NATION OF ISLAM, Formerly referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, also known as Muhammad's Temples of Islam

In January, 1957, a source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

On July 10, 1963, a second source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI; and in mid-1960 MUHAMMAD and other NOI officials, when referring to MUHAMMAD's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following MUHAMMAD's teachings and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils," in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. -

Chicago, Illinois  
April 2, 1964

Title

ELIJAH POOLE

Character

INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

Reference

Letterhead memorandum dated and  
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CHICAGO

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CHICAGO

TITLE OF CASE

ELIJAH POOLE, aka

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and  
report ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's activities.

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A copy of this report is also being furnished the Phoenix Office in view of MUHAMMAD's maintaining an alternate residence in that city.

It is noted that on April 27, 1962, a suit was filed in the United States District Court, Phoenix, Arizona by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, BASHIE MUHAMMAD, JOYCE MUHAMMAD, ALBERT BROWN and FRANCES BROWN against the United States Government resulting from an automobile collision between MUHAMMAD's 1959 Cadillac driven by his chauffeur, ALBERT BROWN, and a Bureau of Indian Affairs bus which allegedly ran through a stop sign on January 25, 1962, near Chandler, Arizona. ALBERT BROWN was accompanied by his wife FRANCES, both Nation of Islam (NOI) members; ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the Minister of the NOI Temple in Phoenix and his wife ~~now~~ <sup>now</sup> MUHAMMAD. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD seeks \$5,200 damages to his automobile and the other plaintiffs have filed for considerable sums for personal injuries (Bufile 120-6964, Chicago file 120-495).

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On March 6, 1964, Assistant United States Attorney WILLIAM J. KNUDSEN, Jr., Phoenix, advised SA [REDACTED] that the plaintiff had not filed a brief in the above case but would probably do so during the month of March. He added that the defendants then would have 15-30 days to file a brief and all of the briefs would be sent to the presiding judge for a review. Assistant United States Attorney KNUDSEN said it would probably be May, 1964, before any decision would be handed down in this matter. He also advised as a sidenote that the government offered a settlement of \$5,000 for the entire case but that it had been turned down by the plaintiffs' attorney. KNUDSEN said that he wanted the Department to approve a settlement sum of \$16,000 which would have been acceptable to the plaintiffs but the Department declined giving this authority.

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No additional specific information has been developed during the past six months from confidential sources indicating ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is engaged in extensive extra-marital activities with female members of the NOI. Some non-specific information in generalities continues to be developed in that regard. Information has been furnished by [REDACTED] that the following "girl friends" of MUHAMMAD had indicated a desire to move to California and that

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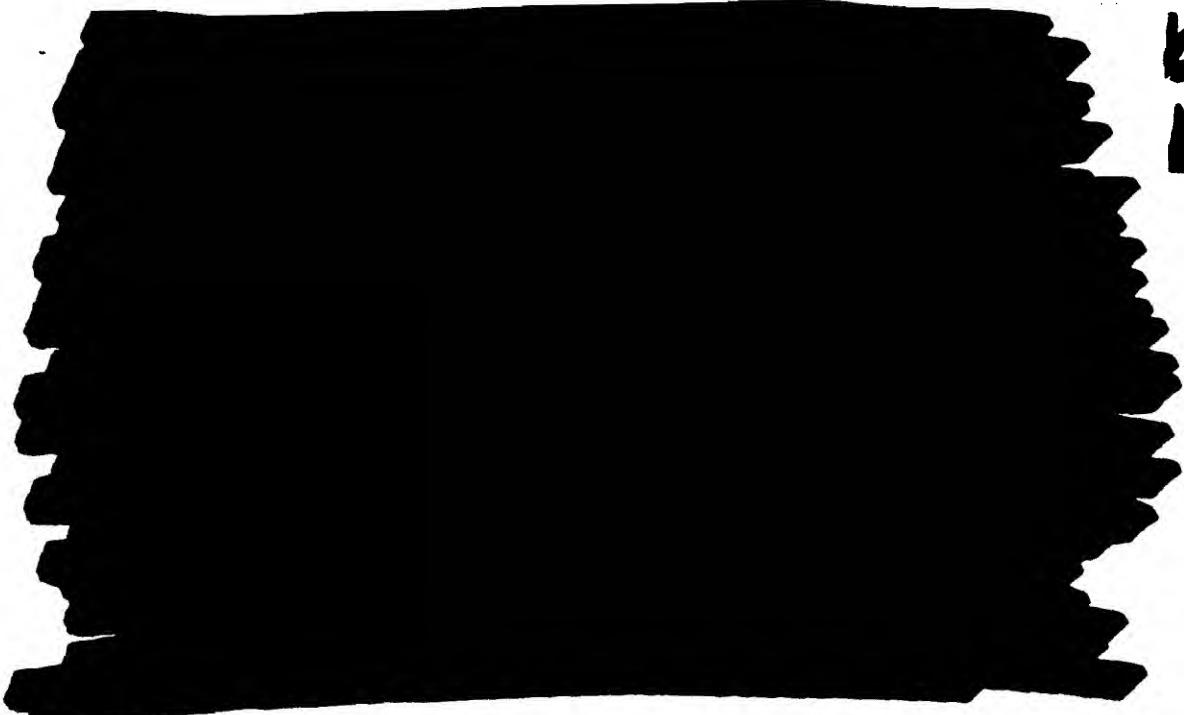
MUHAMMAD was willing to make cash settlements in that regard on the condition that they used the money for the move to California. To date no information has developed indicating that these "girl friends" have so complied. The "girl friends" were identified as follows: [REDACTED]

This information has been substantiated by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] b2

All issues of "Muhammad Speaks" referred to in the details of this report carried on the back page an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD setting forth the ten points of what the Muslims want and the twelve points of what the Muslims believe. This information has not been repeated in the details of this report inasmuch as it has previously been set forth in other reports concerning the subject.

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- Subject was not ~~interviewed~~ because (state reason) \_\_\_\_\_.

he is the National Leader of the NOI and there is no reason to believe he would cooperate if interviewed. Further, in view of MUHAMMAD's speeches, writings and broadcasts it is felt he could conceivably attempt to use such interview to adversely affect the FBI.

8.  This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
9.  This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) \_\_\_\_\_.

**ELIJAH MUHAMMAD continues to be National Leader of the NOI.**

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Bureau File #: 105-24822

Title:

ELIJAH POOLE

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - NATION OF ISLAM

Synopsis:

ELIJAH POOLE, also known as ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, is national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI) which maintains national headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. MUHAMMAD resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, and also maintains a residence at 2118 East Violet Drive, Phoenix, Arizona.

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in his speeches and writings has referred to the white man as a devil and enemy of the black man and has called for unity of the black race which he claims can be achieved through the NOI. He also seeks independence and land for the NOI. He writes a weekly column entitled "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" which appears in the newspaper "The New Crusader" and also contributes regular articles which are published in the NOI publication "Muhammad Speaks". MUHAMMAD's messages are also broadcast regularly on various radio stations throughout the United States.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The following organizations mentioned in this report which have not been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450 are characterized in the attached appendix pages:

Fruit of Islam (FOI)  
Nation of Islam (NOI)

I. BACKGROUND

Residence [REDACTED]

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD as of March, 1964 continued to maintain a residence at 2118 East Violet Drive, Phoenix, Arizona.

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On February 28, 1964, a representative of the [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] pertinent information concerning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

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On March 10, 1964, [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] no current information concerning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

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### **Criminal Record**

On February 28, 1964, [REDACTED] Identification Officer, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, and [REDACTED] Identification Officer of the Phoenix Police Department, advised SA [REDACTED] that their records contained no information concerning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

On March 10, 1964, a representative of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, advised IC [REDACTED] that records of that department contain no information concerning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD based on available police department records.

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In connection with the assassination of President KENNEDY, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD reportedly stated that he was very shocked over the sudden assassination of the President and that he hoped that all of the Muslims were as equally shocked as he was.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stated in late November, 1963, that because of the death of the President of the United States he was cancelling all speaking engagements for the year. MUHAMMAD in that regard reportedly referred to the death of the President as a tragedy.

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Miscellaneous

During early December, 1963, MALCOLM X (LITTLE) was reportedly informed by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD that he, MALCOLM X, was being suspended for the present time and that it remained to be seen what decision would be made in that regard in the future.

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MALCOLM X was suspended as Minister of the NOI Temple in New York City during early December, 1963, by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD for making a remark at a recent NOI affair to the effect that the "chickens had come home to roost" in connection with the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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During early March, 1964, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD reportedly stated in connection with the situation concerning the suspension of MALCOLM X from the NOI that MALCOLM's suspension had no effect on the NOI because MUHAMMAD's work was of a divine nature and had for its purpose the resurrection of the mentally dead black man. He added that anyone who deviated from Islam was a hypocrite and that he did not need anyone's support in order that he, MUHAMMAD, could deliver Allah's message. MUHAMMAD has indicated that none of his followers would support MALCOLM X. MUHAMMAD also reportedly stated that the Muslims stand for non-violence, do not carry guns or arms of any kind and abide by the Golden Rule of "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you".

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was reported to have stated during March, 1964, that MALCOLM X had left the NOI because he wanted to be in the public eye as a leader which he could not do unless he obeyed MUHAMMAD. MALCOLM X, according to MUHAMMAD, was not dismissed but was punished and could not take his punishment. According to MUHAMMAD, MALCOLM X wanted to be a leader so in order to do so he formed a group for himself.

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was reportedly awarded the following diplomas on an undisclosed date prior to January, 1964:

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Universal Academy of The Science of Cosmos-Astroscopy (sic)

Honorary Academician

Diploma

To Dr. Elijah Muhammad

(signed illegible)  
Secretary General

(signed illegible)  
Honorary President

(signed illegible)  
President

Triest, March 17, 1963.

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Institute of American Culture

The Bolivian Committee of the Institute of American Culture  
awards this

HONOR DIPLOMA

to Mr. Dr. Elijah Muhammad  
with all the rights, privileges and honors of his status.

Given at Cochabamba, Bolivia, November 7, 1963.

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Delegate

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President

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1963 Literary Contest

DIPLOMA

Prize of French Algeria

Founded by Lucien Delarue

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PRIZE

awarded to Mr. Dr. Elijah Muhammad  
for Writer

Paris, March 12, 1963

For the Jury:

Lucien Delarue  
Member of the Society of French Poets  
and of the Society of the Men of Letters of France  
Founder of the International literary prize  
French Algeria  
Author, Composer of music

signed Lucien Delarue

signed Dr. Dario A. Manon, Jr.  
President

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Journalists and Writers Union

1963 Literary Contest

Diploma

Prize of French Algeria

Founded by Lucien Delarue

PRIZE

awarded to Mr. Dr. Elijah Muhammad  
for Writer

Paris, March 12, 1963

For the Jury

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signed Lucien Delarue  
Society of French Poets

signed Dr. Dario A. Manon, Jr.  
President

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Aquitaine Academy

Arts and Letters

In view of the verdict of the Jury,

In view of the deliberation of the Academic Council

Award is made of a

**DIPLOMA**

of (sic) Dr. Elijah Muhammad

to Mr. (sic) Honeur (Honor)

Paris May 11, 1963

Registration Number: 729

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"The New Crusader" is a self-described weekly newspaper published at 4327 South Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

During the period between September 21, 1963 and March 7, 1964 the column "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD appeared in "The New Crusader" on a weekly basis. Typical examples of material contained in those articles are as follows:

October 5, 1963 edition.....

"....How can we of the black race be the brothers of the white race when by nature we are made different, being made from the God of truth, justice and righteousness; and the white race from the God of evilness. Therefore, we cannot be brothers nor can we ever affect a sincere friendship that would cause us to live in peace together....."

October 12, 1963 edition.....

"Complete separation on some of this earth that we can call our own, as Almighty Allah, in the person of Master Fari Muhammad, has taught me, is the only way to peace, the only way to righteousness, and the only way to maintain the purity and beauty of the people, as it has been established from the beginning of time. The mixing of the races has been the result of the white race.....

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"Why not separation instead of integration with our open enemies who have beat and killed our people without mercy and is still doing this? Why not seek separation on some of this earth that we can call our own instead of seeking a job, and the honor to ride and eat with the slavemasters' children; ride on their transportation?

"Total separation on some of this earth that we can call our own is the only sane solution to this problem... There is no hope for a good future for 22 million so-called Negroes under the rule of white Americans.

"We, the Muslims, want freedom to live in peace on some of this earth that we can call our own....."

November 2, 1963 edition.....

"It should be clear to you and the world that regardless to what you say or do in the way of trying to get along with the white people of America in peace, they will not grant it to you. With all of the humbleness and humiliation and begging them for peace, freedom, justice and equality you get none; it falls on deaf ears.

"....It is clear to every so-called Negro's eyes and ears that the white man does not want them to enjoy freedom, peace and equality nor does he want his own slaves to go from him to their own people."

December 14, 1963 edition.....

"There is no justice for the poor, so-called Negroes in America as long as they are subjects under the American Flag. A great attempt is now being made in the poor, lost and found, so-called Negroes to deceive them by making false friendship, and the passage of civil rights bills, and forcing themselves to accept the lost-founds (so-called Negroes) into their social equality.

"That is only a trap for us.....

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"If America wants to offer us a better side of her, why not offer something of a permanent good such as a portion of this country (a few states) for our ever-increasing population?....

"....We need a place on this earth we can call our own, and go to work and produce our own needs and this will provide us for employment for our unemployed...."

January 18, 1964 edition.....

"The doom of America approaches and there are many people who do not really know why. There are also many people who would like to know. As I have always said, truth hurts; especially the guilty. It is the expressed purpose of the coming of God whose proper name is Allah, to make manifest the sins of a people who He would destroy, justifying His destruction of that people.

"Today America's doom is set like a die. We cannot escape; it is impossible.....When God appeared to me in person of Master Fard Muhammad to whom praises are due forever, in 1931 in Detroit, Michigan, he said that America was his number one enemy on his list for destruction. While he mentioned other European whites as getting a little extension of time, he singled America and Germany out as being the two worst vicious, evil, destructive troublemakers of the entire nation of earth and that America had mistreated us (the so-called American Negroes) so much that we cannot be easily paid back for the evils she has done to the poor black slaves."

March 7, 1964 edition.....

"How are we to survive, depending upon our slavemasters' children for employment? What happens, then, if there are no jobs for the 20 million black people called Negroes? They go begging for bread and shelter! Just how long do you think the American whites will provide employment, food, shelter and clothing for our unemployed? Don't you know that they have unemployed among themselves?...."

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The masthead of "Muhammad Speaks" describes that publication as being published by Muhammad's Mosque No. 2 on a bi-weekly basis and as having offices at 634 East 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois. Page one of each issue of that publication contains the statement "Dedicated to Freedom, Justice and Equality for the So-Called Negroes. The Earth Belongs to Allah".

A review of all issues of "Muhammad Speaks" from October 11, 1963 through April 10, 1964 reflects that page one of each issue contained an article by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. Listed below by date are the captions of those articles by MUHAMMAD. Where pertinent, certain statements from the original source are set forth in part. Articles wherein information is set forth containing MUHAMMAD's usual line of writing have not been reported. Some of these issues, in addition, contain small items attributed to MUHAMMAD regarding the manner in which Islamic prayers should be made.

October 11, 1963 edition - "Allah Is Judging Today"

October 25, 1963 edition - "Defend Truth At All Cost!". "We of the black race in this serious time of trouble and disagreement between the people and nations of this earth must unite to defend ourselves and our just rights.

"Let us realize that we can best serve our nation by serving ourselves first and foremost here in America and not by foolishly and ignorantly intermixing with our open enemies who have already destroyed us in such way that we are not recognized as being fit for membership in a decent nation's society."

November 8, 1963 edition - "Separate and Unite"

November 22, 1963 edition - "Open Letter to Non-Whites"

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December 6, 1963 edition - "Islam's Reply to a Judge"

December 20, 1963 edition - "Nation Still Mourns Death". "From the death of Abraham Lincoln to the assassination of President Kennedy, it proves that on each one of these occasions where outlaws overruled legal authority, it was in the case of Presidents who opened their mouths and said something favorable for the so-called Negro.

"I am not saying that this was the reason President Kennedy was assassinated, but it seems very strange that every president who says something favorable for the so-called Negro pays for it with his life.

"We also can substantiate this by the fact that any Negro who wants to lead the so-called Negroes to a better life and towards true peace, freedom, justice and equality-- which he is entitled to enjoy--is also subjected to the same kind of assassinations or attempts at assassination."

Page three of this edition also contained a statement attributed to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD concerning the death of the president. That statement is as follows:

"We, with the world, are very shocked at the assassination of our president."

January 3, 1964 edition - "Justice, Peace for My People"

January 17, 1964 edition - "Seek Freedom Through Truth"

January 31, 1964 edition - "Stand Up for True Freedom". Page eight of this issue also contained an item captioned "Make America Know Her Sins" by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. That item, in part, stated as follows:

"The doom of America approaches and there are many people who do not really know why. There are also many

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people who would not like to know. As I have always said, truth hurts; especially the guilty. It is the expressed purpose of the coming of God, whose proper name is Allah, to make manifest the sins of a people who He would destroy, justifying his destruction of that people."

February 14, 1964 edition - "Accept Your Own Kind"

February 28, 1964 edition - "A Savior Is Born"

March 13, 1964 edition - "Seek Peace in Time of Chaos". This issue contained excerpts from MUHAMMAD's speech at the Chicago Coliseum on February 26, 1964. Some of these statements are as follows:

"We must be separated whether we like it or not. I say we must be separated....I do not know why the white people want to deceive us, trick us, try to court you and make sweethearts with you and marry you in order to get you to stay here with them. I would be telling you to go.....

"I want to satisfy your minds, my friends, my brothers, my sisters, that you fear not that the white world will destroy us. They cannot do it. We have a savior with us.....

"We have a savior that is born. I do not think that any white ruler is silly enough to try to destroy the Muslims. I do not think that the white government of America would try to force us to our knees by not giving us employment. We have a savior today. He is with me. He is able to feed you. He is able to clothe you. He is able to shelter you....."

March 27, 1964 edition - "We Must Make Ourselves Equal, Territory for the Negro"

April 10, 1964 edition - "Walk the Way of Free Men"

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Radio Broadcasts

The March 27, 1964, issue of "Muhammad Speaks", page 8, contained an item captioned "On Nationwide Radio! The Honorable Elijah Muhammad Speaks". Listed thereunder was a schedule of weekly broadcasts of MUHAMMAD by city, station, time and wave lengths on 19 different radio stations throughout various areas of the United States.

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1.APPENDIXFRUIT OF ISLAM

On July 10, 1963, a source advised that the Fruit of Islam (FOI) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) composed of male members of the NOI. The purpose of the NOI is to protect officials and property of the NOI, assure compliance of members with NOI teachings and to prepare for the "War of Armageddon." Members of the FOI are required to participate in military drill and are afforded the opportunity to engage in judo training. The FOI is governed by a military system wherein the members are controlled by general orders similar to those issued by regular military organizations.

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NATION OF ISLAM, Formerly referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, also known as Muhammad's Temples of Islam

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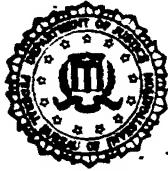
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Chicago, Illinois

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Title

ELIJAH POOLE

Character

INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI

Reference

Reference is made to the report  
of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated and captioned as above  
at Chicago, Illinois.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities  
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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-24822)

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (100-5593) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ELIJAH POOLE, aka  
IS - NOI

DATE: 4/17/64

Re Chicago airtel to Bureau dated 4/2/64.

In response to reairtel the Phoenix Division has reviewed information available from sources but no data was located which would identify "his professor" in Mexico.

Phoenix sources have been alerted to any plans by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD to go out of the United States. Any information in this regard or which might possibly identify "his professor" in Mexico will be brought immediately to the attention of the Bureau and the Chicago Division.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-24822)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-6989)

SUBJECT: ELIJAH POOLE, aka  
IS - NOI

DATE: 5/11/64

Rebuairtel dated 4/13/64 captioned "TRAVEL OF THE  
PRESIDENT IN THE UNITED STATES AND COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO  
RICO".

Enclosed are four copies of a letterhead memorandum  
regarding captioned individual.

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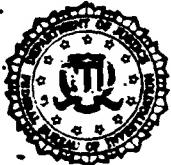
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Chicago, Illinois

May 11, 1964

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ELIJAH POOLE

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DATE 8/26/98 BY SP-Subj/ah

Elijah Poole is being called to your attention in connection with your responsibility for protecting the President of the United States.

Poole, known as Elijah Muhammad in the Nation of Islam (NOI), resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and maintains an alternate residence at 2118 East Violet Drive, Phoenix, Arizona. He has no employment other than being the leader of the NOI.

Elijah Muhammad is the National leader of the NOI and as such formulates all major policies, both financial and administrative.

Muhammad, in his speeches and writings, has referred to the white man as a devil and enemy of the black man, has stated that Allah has decreed that America will be destroyed and that the black man should unite in order to be independent of the white man.

The above organization has not been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450 and is characterized in the appendix page.

Muhammad is described as follows:

Name

Elijah Poole

Aliases

Gulam Bogans,  
Elijah Mohammed,  
The Messenger of Allah,  
Elijah Muck-Muck,  
The Prophet,  
Mohammed Rassoull,  
Elijah Karriem  
October 7, 1897  
Sandersville, Georgia

Date of birth  
Place of birth

Height	5'6"
Weight	130-135 lbs.
Build	Slender
Hair	Black - kinky - partially bald
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Light brown

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Via Airtel Registered Mail

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-7809)  
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[REDACTED] is a highly sensitive source and all  
information furnished by this source that is disseminated  
must be paraphrased.

[REDACTED] advised on 8/16/64 that [REDACTED]  
contacted [REDACTED] this date to advise her that a Chicago radio station is announcing that AKBAR MUHAMMAD, ELIJAH'S son, has "disassociated himself" because of his father's immorality. (Possibly referring to the paternity charges filed by LUCILLE VIOLA ROSARY and EVELYN WILLIAMS against ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.)

[REDACTED] upon hearing the above about AKBAR, only remarked that MALCOLM will be back sometime after 8/31/64.

No LHM is being submitted on above information in view of the fact that all pertinent details were not obtained by the source and the information has not been corroborated by the NYO.

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3 - Los Angeles (RM)

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CAIRO--AKBAR MUHAMMED, A SON OF BLACK MUSLIM LEADER ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, WILL BREAK WITH THE MOVEMENT AND DENOUNCE HIS FATHER, INFORMED SOURCES SAID TONIGHT.

AKBAR, 25, WHO HAS BEEN STUDYING ISLAMIC LAW AT ALAZHAR UNIVERSITY FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS, MET DISSIDENT BLACK MUSLIM MALCOLM X HERE LAST WEEK, BUT THE SOURCES SAID HE HAD ALREADY MADE UP HIS MIND TO MAKE THE BREAK BEFORE THE MEETING.

A SOURCE CLOSE TO THE BLACK NATIONALIST MOVEMENT SAID AKBAR WAS MAKING THE MOVE BECAUSE HIS FATHER ALLEGEDLY FAILED TO ANSWER CHARGES MADE AGAINST HIM BY ANOTHER SON, WALLACE, WHO LEFT THE BLACK MUSLIMS LAST MONTH.

WALLACE ALLEGEDLY ACCUSED HIS FATHER OF IMMORALITY, RELIGIOUS DECEPTION AND POLITICAL STERILITY.

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1048 AM CDST URGENT 9-11-64 MKS

TO DIRECTOR (105-24822) AND PHOENIX (105-5593)

FROM CHICAGO (100-6989) 1P

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-24822)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-6989)

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Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of a LHM indicating possible travel on the part of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD to an African-Asian Islamic Conference to be convened in Bandung, Indonesia in December. Also enclosed are 2 copies each of LHM for Washington Field and Phoenix.

The first source is [REDACTED] b2

Phoenix is requested to follow this matter closely as MUHAMMAD is presently residing in Phoenix.

Enclosed LHM is classified confidential as information contained therein could reasonably result in the identification of a confidential source of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness.

Washington Field Office is requested to review passport records at the Department of State regarding MUHAMMAD in view of the information by the first source indicating that MUHAMMAD's passport might have expired.

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It is noted that ELIJAH POOLE, aka ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, was issued passport number 1677936 on 6/24/68 for proposed travel to the Middle East. He was born 10/7/97 at Washington County, Georgia, and resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago.



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Chicago, Illinois  
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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD

The Nation of Islam (NOI) is described in the latter pages of this communication.

On September 10, 1964, a source advised that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD might have to get some passport photographs taken soon.

The September 11, 1964 edition of "Muhammad Speaks", Volume 3, Number 26, Page 9, Columns 1 through 5, contained an item captioned "Muhammad Invited to Afro-Asian Islamic Confab".

"Muhammad Speaks" is self-described as being published by Muhammad's Mosque Number 2, 634 East 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

This item stated as follows:

"Djakarta, Indonesia - The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, leader of the largest Islamic movement in the Western Hemisphere, has been invited to participate and bring his message and program to the first great African-Asian Islamic Conference to be convened in Bandung in December.

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"Special invitation to Mr. Muhammad, the Messenger of Allah, was extended as extensive preparations were underway to bring together the greatest assemblage of Islamic leaders in the only conference of its kind.

"The new Islamic assembly is an outgrowth of the famous Afro-Asian Bandung conference in 1957. It is designed to throw the massive weight of world Muslims behind the struggle to wipe out colonialism and to unify the peoples of Africa and Asia behind a program of social justice based on the teachings of Islam.

"Preparations for the conference continue steadily here as a special preliminary committee met and passed a series of resolutions outlining the objectives of the forthcoming meeting, some of which will be:

"To promote cooperation and solidarity among the Muslim communities in Africa and Asia on a more positive and constructive scale in accordance with the Bandung spirit and based on the teachings of Islam.

"To foster and support the struggle of Muslim peoples for self-determination wherever necessary and to help build a world free from imperialism colonialism and neocolonialism in all forms and manifestations.

"To direct the Muslim communities of the world towards peace, progress and social justice according to the teachings of Islam, as opposed to reaction and passivity.

"To promote and strengthen among the Muslim States of Africa and Asia the true Islamic attitude of justice, toleration and protection towards national minorities adhering to other faiths.

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"To promote good relations with non-Muslim states which grant equal rights to their Muslim minorities both in theory and practice.

"Participants will consist of delegates and observers, defined by the following resolutions:

" ' Delegates will consist of the following:

" ' Representatives of all Muslim communities from countries which will be invited to the second African-Asian Conference, as per the decision of the meeting of the ministers in preparation of the Second African-Asian Conference in April, 1964.

" ' Observers will consist of the following:

" '(a) Representatives of Muslim Organizations outside Africa and Asia;

" '(b) Representatives of Muslim Universities/ Research institutions having departments/ sections in Islamic studies, provided that the delegates and observers are in agreement with the guiding principles and objectives of the AAIC."

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Chicago, Illinois  
September 17, 1964

Title	ELIJAH MUHAMMAD
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - NOI
Reference	Letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above at Chicago, Illinois.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-24822)  
 FROM: SAC, WFO (100-36301) (P)  
 ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, aka  
 IS - NOI  
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ReCGairtel 9/17/64.

IC [REDACTED] ascertained on 9/28/64, that the subject's file at the Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D.C., contained no information indicating that he had applied for or received a new passport. His old passport, issued 6/24/59, would have expired on 6/23/64.

WFO will follow this matter at Passport Office.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (25-330971)  
 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-35635)  
 SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM  
 IS - NOI

Re Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandum to the Bureau dated 10/1/64; Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandum to the Bureau, cc's to Phoenix and Washington Field, dated 8/17/64, entitled "ELIJAH MUHAMMAD; IS - NOI".

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The enclosure is classified "Confidential" as [redacted] desired the matter be treated in confidence. He made no specific request that his identity be concealed.

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New York is being furnished a copy of this communication for information purposes in view of the fact [REDACTED] apparently is in contact with MALCOLM X.

Phoenix is being furnished a copy of this communication for information in view of the information indicating ELIJAH MUHAMMAD may not accept the invitation to appear at the African-Asian Islamic Conference scheduled to be held in Bandung, Indonesia, in December, 1964.

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NATION OF ISLAM  
INTERNAL SECURITY - NATION OF ISLAM

The following organization is characterized in  
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Nation of Islam (NOI)

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On September 28 and 30, 1964, [REDACTED] advised that the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam was headquartered in Rabwah, Pakistan, and that headquarters in the United States are located at 2141 Leroy Place, Washington, D.C. He stated the movement's mosque in Chicago is located at 4448 South Wabash. He continued that the movement was established in the United States in 1920 or 1921 and was non-regimental and non-racist in nature, teachings being based on the precepts of the Holy Koran which includes the brotherhood of all mankind. He stated members are taught to obey the laws of the land in which they live and he added that members would serve in the Armed Forces of the United States or "he would throw them out".

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"Muhammad Speaks", Volume 3, Number 26, dated September 11, 1964, on page 9 carried an item entitled

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"Muhammad Invited to Afro-Asian Islamic Confab". The article, which was datelined Djakarta, Indonesia, reflected Elijah Muhammad had been invited to participate and to bring his message and program to the first great African-Asian Islamic Conference to be convened in Bandung in December (1964). The article continued that the conference would be an assemblage of Islamic leaders.

"Muhammad Speaks" is self-described as being published by Muhammad's Mosque Number 2 at 634 East 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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NATION OF ISLAM, Formerly Referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, Aka. Muhammad's Temples of Islam

In January, 1957, a source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

On May 8, 1964, a second source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI; and in mid-1960 MUHAMMAD and other NOI officials, when referring to MUHAMMAD's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following MUHAMMAD's teachings and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils," in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

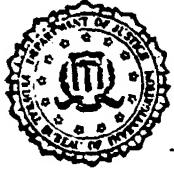
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A copy of this report is also being furnished the Phoenix Office in view of MUHAMMAD's maintaining an alternate residence in that city.

No additional specific information has been developed during the past six months from confidential sources indicating ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is engaged in extensive, extra-marital activities with female members of the Nation of Islam (NOI). Some non-specific information in generalities continues to be developed in that regard.

All issues of "Muhammad Speaks" referred to in the details of this report carried on the back page an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD setting forth the ten points of what the Muslims want and the twelve points of what they believe in. This information was not set forth in instant report as it has previously been set forth in other reports concerning the subject.

The television program on WMBQ-TV, Chicago, on May 31, 1964, was monitored by SA [REDACTED] b7C

The telephonic interview with HASSAN SHARIEFF was conducted on June 23, 1964, by SA [REDACTED]

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SA [REDACTED] monitored MALCOLM X's appearance on Radio Stations WEEI and WMEX, Boston, Massachusetts, on June 12 and 13, 1964.

It is noted that in the civil case ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, ET AL, vs. United States regarding a collision between a Bureau of Indian Affairs bus and an automobile belonging to ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, Civil Docket Number 4150, United States District Court's Office, Phoenix, that the matter is presently pending. This information was furnished to SA [REDACTED] on September 21, 1964, by Assistant United States Attorney WILLIAM J. KNUDSEN, JR.

The Bureau is aware of complete details of this case.

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3.  Changes on the Security Index card are necessary and Form FD-122 has been submitted to the Bureau.

4.  A suitable photograph  is  is not available.

5.  Subject is employed in a key facility and \_\_\_\_\_ is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are \_\_\_\_\_.

6.  This report is classified confidential because (state reason) \_\_\_\_\_ information reported from \_\_\_\_\_ could reasonably result in the identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness thereof.

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7.  Subject previously interviewed (dates) \_\_\_\_\_.

Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) he is the National Leader of the NOI and there is no reason to believe he would cooperate if interviewed.

8.  This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.

9.  This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) ELIJAH MUHAMMAD continues to be National Leader of the NOI.

10.  Subject's SI card  is  is not tabbed Detcom.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] **b7C**  
 Date: 10/9/69

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 100-6889

Bureau File #: 105-24822

Title: ELIJAH POOLE

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ON 8/27/72

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - NATION OF ISLAM

Synopsis: ELIJAH POOLE, also known as ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, is National Leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI), which maintains National headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. MUHAMMAD resides at 4847 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, and maintains a residence at 2118 East Violet Drive, Phoenix, Arizona.

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MUHAMMAD in his speeches and writings has referred to the white man as a devil and enemy of the black man and has called for unity of the black race, which he claims can be achieved through the NOI. He writes a weekly column captioned, "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" which appears in the Chicago newspaper "The New Dealer" and also contributes regular articles which are published in the NOI publication, "Muhammad Speaks". MUHAMMAD's messages are also broadcast regularly on various radio stations throughout the United States. Information concerning filing of paternity suits against ELIJAH MUHAMMAD by two former secretaries set forth.

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**DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

The following organizations referred to in this report are described in the appendix pages attached hereto:

Fruit of Islam (FOI)

Muslim Mosque, Inc. (MMI)

Nation of Islam (NOI)

NOI Mosque No. 7,  
New York, New York

**I. BACKGROUND**

Residence [REDACTED]

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ELIJAH MUHAMMAD as of September, 1984, continued to maintain a residence at 2118 East Violet Drive, Phoenix, Arizona.

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current information concerning ELIJAH POOLE or under any of the other names he is known to have used in the past.

On September 11, 1964, a representative of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, advised IC [REDACTED] that based on available police department records, no current information was contained in records of that Bureau concerning ELIJAH POOLE or any information under any of the other names he has been known to have used in the past.

[REDACTED] as reviewed on September 17, 1964, by [REDACTED], contained no derogatory information concerning ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, 2118 East Violet Drive, Phoenix. This information was furnished to SA [REDACTED]

Records of the Phoenix Police Department and the Maricopa County, Arizona Sheriff's Office reviewed on September 19, 1964, by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Identification Officers, respectively, reflected no arrest record for ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. This information was provided SA [REDACTED]

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"The New Crusader" is a self-described weekly newspaper published at 4327 South Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

During the period between March 14, 1964, and September 26, 1964, the column "Mr. Muhammad Speaks" by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD appeared in "The New Crusader" on a weekly basis. Typical examples of material contained in those articles are as follows:

March 14, 1964 Edition

"...The real satanic people are the white race who have disguised themselves to deceive the black people to follow them."

March 28, 1964 Edition

"...Malcolm disobeyed the Apostle of Allah. Malcolm was told by the Messenger of Allah to keep quiet...This Malcolm did not do. So after a 90 day period the Messenger said to Malcolm, you did not keep quiet so now I will wait until you become quiet before I give you permission to speak in public. Malcolm answered ... by meeting the press and television, announcing to the public that he was going for himself."

"...Malcolm has ordered the so-called Negroes to arm themselves with shotguns and rifles and shoot when attacked." (MALCOLM X is described under MMI in appendix section.)

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May 2, 1964 Edition

"How are we to survive depending upon our slave masters' children for employment? ... Just how long do you think the American whites will provide employment, food, shelter and clothing for our unemployed?"

"...We are fools to try and mix with our enemies ... go to your own kind."

May 30, 1964 Edition

"The doom of America approaches and there are many who really do not know why ... It is the expressed purpose of the coming of God whose proper name is Allah to make manifest the sins of a people who he would destroy, justifying his destruction of that people."

June 27, 1964 Edition

"It is very hard for an economist to plan an economical program ... because the so-called American Negroes' economics are controlled by the white man. The white man owns the country, industry, the manufacturers and the producers, everything."

"...The so-called Negro wage earner should...spend only what is necessary and save as much as possible...so that we could save in a national bank."

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August 15, 1964 Edition

This item set forth in part MUHAMMAD's speech at the Olympic Auditorium on August 9, 1964, at Los Angeles, California. Details of this speech have previously been set forth in this report.

A review of all issues of "Muhammad Speaks" from April 24, 1964, through September 25, 1964, reflects that each issue contained an article by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. Listed below by date, are captions of articles by MUHAMMAD which are felt pertinent and with certain statements from the original source set forth in part. Articles wherein information is set forth containing MUHAMMAD's usual line of writing have not been reported.

"Muhammad Speaks" is a self-described bi-weekly publication published by Muhammad's Mosque No. 2 with offices at 634 East 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois. Page 1 of each issue of that publication contains the statement, "Dedicated to freedom, justice and equality for the so-called Negroes. The earth belongs to Allah."

The April 24, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1 and 2, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "Our Demand is for Justice". This item in substance stated that Islam should be recognized as the religion of the black man. Islam is a dignified religion which assures the believer an eternal future and makes him honored and recognized the world over, a religion which makes a man a brother of the righteous people of the earth and gives him a home among the civilized

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people which is destined to be the last religion of the human family on earth and comes from Almighty God.

The May 8, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1 and 9, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "Separation is Our Salvation". In substance, this item stated that the NOI wanted some of the earth and its treasures of raw materials to build an independent nation as other nations have done. The Muslims will, with Allah's help, unite and obtain some of this earth which can be called the Muslims' own.

The May 22, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1 and 3, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "Who Will Save the Negro?" It stated in substance that the Black Muslim for the past 400 years has been robbed completely of the knowledge of self and kind. The Black Muslim is the direct descendant of God while those who have and still mistreat him are offspring of one who rebelled against God. This is the time that justice has come to settle the injustice done to you by your enemies and separate you from such evil people and give you a place somewhere on this earth that you can call your own. There is no way the black man can settle the price of justice between himself and his open enemy but by submission to the will of Allah and follow me, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

The June 5, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", page 9, contains an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "How We Can Unite". This item in substance stated the black man wants nothing short of a home on this earth that he can call his own and not be slaves and servants to other free nations. The only way this can be achieved is by uniting.

The June 19, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1 and 3, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "Our Day is Near at Hand". This item in substance stated that black America is larger than most of the nations in Africa and is

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larger than two-thirds of the nations in Europe. It is to this group that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD brings his message of salvation with true justice and freedom. The time for separation and obtaining some of this earth for the black man today - this is the unavoidable salvation if it can be achieved with the overwhelming support of the black people of America.

The July 3, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1 and 3, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "The Truth to Let You Free". This item stated in substance that the economic plight of the black people of America has been neglected for so long that even they have forgotten its basic importance. The black man has failed to develop self-leadership in economics. The first step the so-called Negro wage earner should take is to spend only when necessary and according to income, thereby saving and investing as much as possible in the NOI.

The July 17, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1 and 4, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "Muhammad Thanks Harlem". This item is, in substance, that MUHAMMAD appreciated and would always remember the respect and honor he received at the speech he gave at the Harlem Armory in New York, New York, June 28, 1964. Allah sent MUHAMMAD to unite the black man into one nation of brotherhood under MUHAMMAD's divine guidance. The NOI is a nation within a nation. Obedience to Allah's Messenger is obedience to Allah himself. Allah blesses the true followers.

The July 31, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1, 3 and 8, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "Let's Unite For Freedom". That item in substance stated there were many hypocrites among MUHAMMAD's followers, but that the only way to Allah was through the Messenger, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, who will teach all disbelievers to understand Islam.

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The August 14, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1, 3 and 8, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "This Would Not Happen". This item in substance stated that the black man must unite and have some of this earth he can call his own. To accept your own means yourself and your kind, and your God. The black nation is self-created while the white race was made up by scientists of the black nation whose time is nothing on this planet earth. The black man is the original man and the white man's time of ruling the people of the earth is up.

The August 28, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", pages 1 and 3, contain an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "3-Year Savings Plan for Negro!" This item in substance stated that an "Economic Savings Program" was being established by the NOI to help fight unemployment, bad housing, hunger and nakedness among the 22,000,000 black people in America. MUHAMMAD appealed to Muslims to sacrifice \$.65 a day in this regard and to send \$.25 a week to Muhammad's Mosque No. 2, Chicago, which will be banked until the NOI will have a million dollars to begin building a banking system.

The September 11, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", page 3, column 1 - 5, contains an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "Up! You Can Accomplish As You Will!" In substance this item stated that MUHAMMAD was asking that the NOI sacrifice for the next three years in order to establish a bank and that when enough is in the bank, the money can be put to work to make more money as it would not lie idly by as the NOI could invest in anything to help the NOI improve the black man's economic condition. MUHAMMAD urged every black person in America to send all the money they could spare to his "Three Year Savings Plan".

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The September 25, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", page 3, contains an item by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD captioned, "World Hails New Economic Plan". This item in substance stated the NOI Three Year Economic Savings Plan was receiving great response. Join the Muslims and our program for a united black nation so that the Muslims might be freed from their oppressors with whom they cannot get along in peace. The NOI would not be responsible for contributions given or sent other than directly to the Three Year Savings Plan, Mosque No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago.

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The March 14, 1964 issue of "The New Crusader" contained an item on page two captioned "Muslims For Peace - Not Violence." This item was datelined Phoenix, Arizona, and stated in part as follows:

"Negroes will not turn to violence to get equal justice, the leader of the Muslims faith declared here this week.

"Elijah Muhammad made the observation in his Phoenix home after learning that his former top aide, Malcolm X was breaking away from the organization...

"My people are more adapted to peace...they believe in peaceful solutions.

"He said Malcolm X is too smart to start any violence, adding that he has no guns or ammunition.

"...I have never dreamed this man would defect from the NOI. Every one of the Muslims admired him. But what he has said makes it definite. He has defected."

MALCOLM X. is described in the appendix pages of this report under the caption MUSLIM MOSQUE, INC.

WMBQ-TV, Channel 5, Chicago, carried a program captioned "Dateline Chicago" on May 31, 1964 entitled "Black Muslims At The Crossroads." This program featured on film comments of individuals active in the civil rights field, MALCOLM X and the Communist Party (CP). MUHAMMAD's statements during the program were as follows:

"I'm not surprised at him (MALCOLM X) leaving us, but I am surprised at what he said and what he thinks. But I do think Mr. MALCOLM still believes in Islam. I don't think his deviation from us means anything like the slowdown of progress, of converts...I don't think that will hurt us at all....I believe that my people are heading more for a peaceful solution toward the problem of violence. There are not any of them I don't think that will follow that man, the violence move. They all believe in a peaceful solution to the problem. And, I believe Mr. MALCOLM

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believe the same...Those of the males who have accepted Islam and live the clean and pure life of a Muslim...are called the FOI which means the first converts of Islam in America."

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On June 11, 1964, seven self-described members of the NOI from MTI #2 appeared at the Chicago FBI Office and were interviewed by SA [redacted] and [redacted] at their request. WADE X, 4847 South Michigan Avenue, stated that he was the official spokesman for the group and that their sole purpose in contacting the FBI was protection from members and officials of the NOI who had threatened them with bodily harm and possibly death. WADE X stated that as spokesman of the group, they all admired ELIJAH MUHAMMAD very much and did not hold him responsible for the fact they believed members of the NOI at MTI #2 were being exploited by officials of that temple. He said that their main grievance was the pressure put on members by the officials for selling the NOI paper "Muhammad Speaks", greed on the part of those officials, their expensive living, coupled with their "superior attitude."

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On June 23, 1964, HASSAN SHARRIEFF telephonically advised a Special Agent of the FBI that he was a former Lieutenant in the FOI at MTI #2, was a grandson of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and had disassociated himself from the NOI because of certain irregularities which he refused to discuss further. He added that WALLACE D. MUHAMMAD, a son of ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, had also deviated from the NOI and its teachings and had severed all connections with the NOI.

The "Chicago Daily Defender", a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, in its issue of July 8, 1964, carried an item under the headline "Muhammad's Son Says Muslims Threaten Life". The article which appeared on page three of that publication is set forth in part as follows:

"Wallace Muhammad, son of the leader of the Muslims, told "The Defender" that the leadership in Chicago is ruthless and frantic and that they will kill you. He stated in an exclusive interview that he had been threatened repeatedly by the officers of the organization which has headquarters in Chicago. He also

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stated that he became disenchanted with the movement in 1963 after being released from prison for violation of Selective Service laws."

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On August 4, 1964, WALLACE D. MUHAMMAD was interviewed by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He stated that when he was Minister of the NOI in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania his father had begun to accuse him of believing more in the "true Mohammedan religion" than in the teachings of the NOI. He said he was at a loss to understand these accusations and suspicions. He stated he began to question his father's teachings while being sentenced by a Federal judge in Chicago for his refusal to comply with the Selective Service laws. He stated that after his release from prison he had begun to try to influence his brothers and sisters to press his father to "check his behavior", whereupon they had attacked him for this and accused him for not opposing the "devil." He stated that his father, ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, was the absolute leader of the NOI and all policy is either made by him or approved by him. He stated that he would never again support his father's teachings or ideals regarding the NOI and that he has no relationship with him.

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Other Activity

On June 12, 1964, MALCOLM X appeared on the PAUL BENZAQUIN program "Conversation Piece" broadcast over radio station WEEI, Boston, Massachusetts. MALCOLM X stated on this program that there were two reasons for his severing his relationship with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. The first being his making remarks concerning the late President KENNEDY and the second pertained to a moral issue which he cared no longer to put up with, but which he desired to keep secret. The secret moral issue, according to MALCOLM was told to him by WALLACE MUHAMMAD which was the reason for WALLACE MUHAMMAD being put out of the NOI for telling the secret to MALCOLM. The secret moral issue was then discussed by MALCOLM X in response to a telephone inquiry in connection with the radio program. He stated in that regard that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD had fathered at least 6 children by some six of eight secretaries he had from 1956 to 1960 and that the secretaries had subsequently been brought to trial by the NOI in Chicago.

MALCOLM stated he knew nothing of this until told about it by WALLACE MUHAMMAD in February, 1963. MALCOLM then asked ELIJAH MUHAMMAD if this was true, whereupon MUHAMMAD admitted its truth but gave a "religious" explanation for it which MALCOLM at that time accepted.

MALCOLM stated as of October, 1963, he was told by WALLACE MUHAMMAD these matters were still going on and getting worse. He then realized he could never again represent MUHAMMAD knowing one of the highest officials of the Muslim movement was the father of the children of six secretaries.

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MALCOLM stated he went to MUHAMMAD concerning these sexual escapades at which time MUHAMMAD admitted they were true. He asked and was given permission by MUHAMMAD to tell other NOI Ministers the truth of this information so they would be prepared to help members of their Temples when the truth came out as MALCOLM believed it should. MALCOLM told the NOI Ministers in New York and Boston.

MALCOLM concluded by saying he waited to make this news public in order to protect ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's image and to allow his followers to see him as they always saw him.

On June 12, 1964, MALCOLM X appeared on JERRY WILLIAMS' radio program broadcast on radio station WMEK, Boston, Massachusetts from 10:00 PM to 1:00 AM, June 13, 1964.

MALCOLM X stated no Muslim makes a move without ELIJAH MUHAMMAD saying so and charging MUHAMMAD with sexual promiscuity was one of the best ways a person, Muslim or not, could lose his life. He said as long as he believed the Muslims stood for moral reformation, he was able to represent MUHAMMAD, but he could not do so once MUHAMMAD shattered it. MALCOLM X stated he had learned that JACK ALI, National Secretary of the NOI, had reportedly stated that the Muslim movement was trying to kill MALCOLM and he should be killed.

#### NATION OF ISLAM

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MALCOLM X stated in 1955 a young girl from Detroit named ROSELLA became one of MUHAMMAD's secretaries and a year later became pregnant and as a result was humiliated and insulted in the Temple and suspended. In 1956 a young girl from Lansing, Michigan named LAVITA became one of his secretaries and a year later she became pregnant, was also humiliated and suspended from the Temple.

MALCOLM X stated that by 1958 MUHAMMAD's Secretarial Staff was eight, two of whom were from the Boston area and were well known. In 1959 six of these secretaries disappeared, two blood sisters who later appeared in Philadelphia as non-Muslims. In 1960 four of these girls reappeared in Chicago, all with children. One was from Boston and one from the Cape Cod area of Massachusetts. The latter one was presently having her third child and was residing in California under an assumed name. All

of the girls eventually got together and found out MUHAMMAD was the father of all the children and that MUHAMMAD had told them he was divine, a prophet and that each girl was his wife.

In 1962, two of these girls rebelled and went around Chicago telling about MUHAMMAD. In 1963, WALLACE MUHAMMAD who is very religious, was told the truth by one of the girls in Chicago. MALCOLM was told this by WALLACE and then wrote MUHAMMAD, went to Phoenix where MUHAMMAD said he would explain. In Phoenix MUHAMMAD admitted fathering the children and stated he was all of the prophets together.

The July 6, 1964 edition of the "Chicago Daily News", a Chicago, Illinois daily newspaper, page 20, column 4, contained an item captioned "Muhammad Issues Denial of Paternity". This item in substance stated that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the 67 year old leader of the Black Muslims, denied fathering the children of two former secretaries, who had filed paternity suits against him. MUHAMMAD accused his rival, MALCOLM X, of instigating the suits to disgrace him and to spoil his Black Muslim Rally in Los Angeles on August 9. MUHAMMAD denounced LUCILLE ROSARY and EVELYN WILLIAMS as "hypocrites" and former sweethearts of MALCOLM X who left the Muslims to form his own Negro organization. The item stated that ROSARY and WILLIAMS had recently filed paternity suits in Superior Court in Los Angeles against MUHAMMAD.

Page D-1 of the July 10, 1964 issue of "The Herald Examiner", a Los Angeles, California newspaper, contained an item captioned "ELIJAH's Two Paternity Suits - The Will of Allah, He Claims". This item in substance stated that a Miss EVELYN WILLIAMS and Miss LUCILLE ROSARY, had alleged that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD was the father of a four year old daughter of Miss WILLIAMS and the three daughters of Miss ROSARY. Both women have filed Superior Court suits in Los Angeles asking that MUHAMMAD be named the father of the children and each mother asks "responsible support" for their daughters. Miss WILLIAMS claimed that MUHAMMAD had told her that under the teachings of the Holy Quran "we were not committing adultery, that she was his wife."

"The New Crusader", a weekly newspaper published on the South Side of Chicago, carried a column entitled "Muhammad Seeks No Vengeance Against Critics Who Deviated", on page 2 of its issue on July 11, 1964. This item in part reflected that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD had built a huge religious organization into international prominence through his sincere efforts to teach the black man to become self-supporting and held no malice towards those who have attempted to smear and criticize him. The dynamic leader of the Black Muslims has been the target of several verbal attacks from former members of his organization which the Messenger says are unwarranted and untrue. He points to the program which has made thousands of Negroes self-supporting, clean and respectable. Members of the NOI do not drink, smoke or indulge in any wicked pastimes of the evil and the damned. MUHAMMAD denies he teaches hate but tells only the truth that the white men have been mistreating black men for hundreds of years. He contends that it is time that black men break away from under the yoke of white leaders and build a future for himself and his race.

The July 31, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", page 3, carried a photograph with a caption stating that "The Messenger of Allah, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, in his Chicago home with S. Muhammad Tufail, the Imam of the Shaw (Shah) Jehan Mosque of Woking, Surrey, England, when the Islamic leader visited the city to study the outstanding work of Mr. Muhammad. Mr. Tufail is considered one of the most distinguished scholars, religious and social, in the Muslim world."

The August 14, 1964 issue of "Muhammad Speaks", page 3 contained an item captioned "Lifetime Membership Y.M.M.A. Alexanderia, Egypt, U.A.R." This item stated as follows:

"Young Men's Moslem Association, Alexandria, has the honor of granting Mr. Alega Mohamed, leader of the Moslems of the U.S.A., the lifetime membership of the association.

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The subcaption to the photograph of the letter reflected as follows:

"Certificate of life membership in Moslems Association of Alexandria awarded to the Honorable Elijah Muhammad in recognition of his leadership of Muslims in the United States. This is the first such certificate awarded to an American-born Islam leader signifying the high esteem and bond of brotherhood between American Muslims under the leadership of the Messenger of Allah and the Moslem leaders of the East. Below is the amazingly modern city of Alexandria, U.A.R., Headquarters of the Moslem Association."

Radio Broadcasts

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The September 25, 1964 issue, page 9, of "Muhammad Speaks" contained an item captioned "On Nation-Wide Radio! The Honorable Elijah Muhammad Speaks". Listed thereunder was a schedule of weekly broadcasts of MUHAMMAD by city, station, time and wave lengths on 18 different radio stations throughout various areas of the United States.

Possible Foreign Travel

It was learned during September, 1964 that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD might have to have passport photographs taken shortly.

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The September 11, 1963 edition of "Muhammad Speaks", page 9, contained an item datelined "Djakarta Indonesia". The article in substance stated that ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, leader of the largest Islamic movement in the Western Hemisphere had been invited to participate and bring his message and program to the first great African-Asian

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Islamic Conference to be convened in December. A special invitation to MUHAMMAD was extended as extensive preparations were under way to bring together the greatest assemblage of Islamic leaders in the only conference of its kind. This assemblage is an outgrowth of the famous African-Asian Bandung Conference in 1957 and is designed to throw the massive weight of world Muslims behind the struggle to wipe out colonialism and to unify the peoples of Africa and Asia behind a program of social justice based on the teachings of Islam.

APPENDIXFRUIT OF ISLAM

On May 8, 1964, a source advised that the Fruit of Islam (FOI) is a group within the Nation of Islam (NOI) composed of male members of the NOI. The purpose of the FOI is to protect officials and property of the NOI, assure compliance of members with NOI teachings, and to prepare for the "War of Armageddon." Members of the FOI are required to participate in military drill and are afforded the opportunity to engage in judo training. The FOI is governed by a military system wherein the members are controlled by general orders similar to those issued by regular military organizations.

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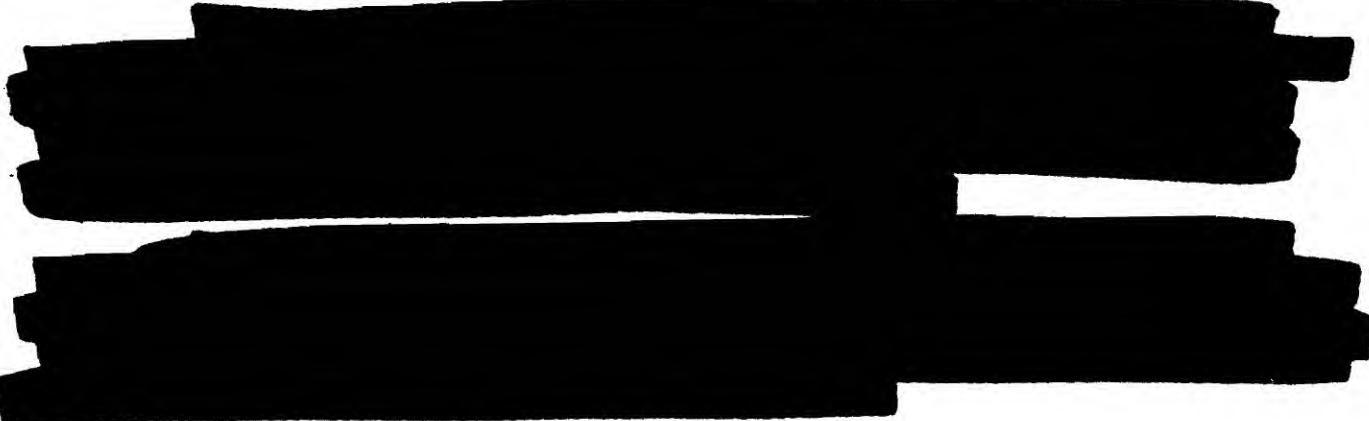
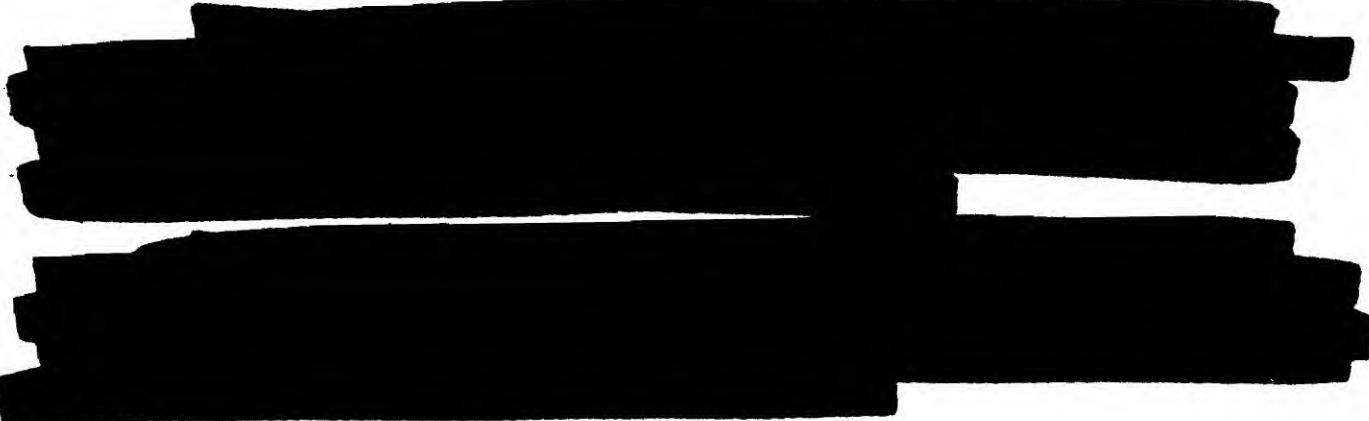
**NATION OF ISLAM, Formerly Referred to as the Muslim Cult of Islam, Aka. Muhammad's Temples of Islam**

In January, 1957, a source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD has described his organization on a nationwide basis as the "Nation of Islam" and "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

On May 8, 1964, a second source advised ELIJAH MUHAMMAD is the national leader of the Nation of Islam (NOI); Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 2, 5335 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the national headquarters of the NOI; and in mid-1960 MUHAMMAD and other NOI officials, when referring to MUHAMMAD's organization on a nationwide basis, commenced using either "Mosque" or "Temple" when mentioning one of "Muhammad's Temples of Islam."

The NOI is an all-Negro organization which was originally organized in 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. MUHAMMAD claims to have been selected by Allah, the Supreme Being, to lead the so-called Negro race out of slavery in the wilderness of North America by establishing an independent black nation in the United States. Members following MUHAMMAD's teachings and his interpretation of the "Koran" believe there is no such thing as a Negro; that the so-called Negroes are slaves of the white race, referred to as "white devils," in the United States; and that the white race, because of its exploitation of the so-called Negroes, must and will be destroyed in the approaching "War of Armageddon."

In the past, officials and members of the NOI, including MUHAMMAD, have refused to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Acts and have declared that members owe no allegiance to the United States.

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MUSLIM MOSQUE, INC.

The March 13, 1964 edition of "The New York Times," a daily newspaper published in New York, New York, contained an article on page 20 which indicated that MALCOLM X (LITTLE), former national official of the Nation of Islam (NOI) and Minister of NOI Mosque #7, New York, who broke with the NOI on March 8, 1964 publicly announced in New York City on March 12, 1964, that he had formed the Muslim Mosque, Inc. (MMI). The MMI, according to the article, would be a broadly based, politically oriented black nationalist movement for Negroes only, financed by voluntary contributions. In this public statement MALCOLM X urged Negroes to abandon the doctrine of non-violence when it is necessary to defend themselves in the civil rights struggle, and he also suggested that Negroes form rifle clubs to protect their lives and property in times of emergencies in areas where the government is unable or unwilling to protect them.

Incorporation papers of the MMI filed on March 16, 1964, the Business Section, Clerk of Courts, New York County, New York, New York, reflect that the MMI was incorporated under the Religious Corporation Law of the State of New York to work for the imparting of the Islamic Faith and Islamic Religion in accordance with "accepted Islamic principles." The principal place of worship to be located in the Borough of Manhattan, New York, New York.

During an appearance over KIV - Television, Cleveland, Ohio, on April 7, 1964, MALCOLM X stated that the MMI does not stand for integration, but for complete freedom, justice, and equality for Negroes. He stated that Islam was the religious philosophy of the MMI, while the political, economic and social philosophy was black nationalism.

On May 15, 1964, a confidential source advised that the headquarters of the MMI are located in Suite 128, Hotel Theresa, 2090 Seventh Avenue, New York City, where they were established on March 16, 1964.

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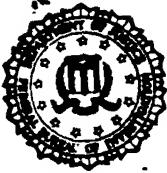
NATION OF ISLAM, MOSQUE #7, NEW YORK CITY

On May 3, 1963, a source advised that the Nation of Islam (NOI) affiliate in New York City is known as Mosque #7, also known as Temple #7, and is located at 102 West 116th Street, New York City. Mosque #7 is a part of the NOI headed by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. Mosque #7 follows the policies and programs as set forth by ELIJAH MUHAMMAD.

The date Mosque #7 originated in New York City is not known.

However, in connection with the origin of Mosque #7, it should be noted that in 1953, a second source advised that there was a temple of the NOI (known to source then as the Muslim Cult of Islam) in New York City located at 135th Street and Seventh Avenue, as far back as 1947.

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